THE CATALOGVE OF THE CHANCELLORS OF ENGLAND, THE LORD Keepers of the Great Seale: AND THE LORD TREASV-rers of England.

With a Collection of divers that have beene Masters of the Rolles.

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Her Ma^tys most Hon^ble Priy Council & Exchequer
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To the right Honorable and excellent Lord, *Thomas Howard* Earle of *Arundell* and *Surrey*, Primer Earle and Earle *Marshall* of *England*, Baron Howard, *Mowbray*, *Segrave*, *Brewes of Gower*, *Fitzallan*, *Clun*, *Oswalderstree*, *Maltravers* and *Greystock*, Iustice in Eyre of all the Kings *Forrests Parkes* and Chaces beyond the River of Trent, Lievetenant generall to his Majestie in the Provinces of *Norfolke*, *Sussex*, *Surrey*, *Northumberland*, *Westmerland* and *Cumberland*, of the Privy Councell to his Majestie in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, and Knight of the most noble order of the Garter.

MY LORD,

HAve received many encouragements (by Friends that have perused these Collections) to render them to the publicke, which cannot bee done without

your Lordſhips approbation and permiſion to the Preſſe. The Catalogues of the great officers in *France* (long ſince printed) have offorded much contentment and do worthily, preſerve the memory of ſuch as merited in thoſe places and their qualities. And as I have no other but the ſame end in the publiſhing of theſe. So I will comfort my ſelfe with an humble hope that it will give no diſcontentment. The incouragements your Lordſhip hath conferred upon the office of Armes in generall & my ſelfe in particular with a bountifull hand may give your Lordſhip juſt occaſion to expect ſome fruite of our indeavours: If theſe may paſſe in that eſtimate, but for bloſſomes it will

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be more then they demerite. And if your Lordſhip ſhall conceive them worthy to bee communicated to the world, I moſt humbly crave leave that they may paſſe under Dedication to your Lordſhip, which grace and favour will give them life and acceptation, and very much incourage and comfort

Moſt noble Lord,

To Your thrice humble

and moſt obliged ſervant,

IOHN PHILIPOT.

Summerſet Herald.

To my very loving friends, the Master and Wardens of the Company of *Stationers*, at *Stationers* Hall in *London* these.

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CANDIDE ET CONSTANTER

Mercedem meritis postponis, legibus aurum,
Quod nunc prodigii pondus & instar habet.
Consilio multis, opibus succurris egenti,

The Preface.

THE Catalogue or Series of the Chancellors of England hath beene with much care and diligence laboured by Robert Glover, Somerset Herauld of Armes, and after him by Francis Thinne, Lancaster Herauld; whose M.S. Collections I have by me, and in them a thankfull commemoration is made of Mr. Thomas Talbots kinde assistance, hee being Clerke of the Records in the Tower of London, where the Charters and their Dates that afford the exactest testimonies of them are to be found for many Ages past. So that I shall not neede to cite the vouchers and proofes at large. Neither will I be so false to my selfe or my Reader, as to conceale that the worthy and reverend Antiquarie Sr. Henry Spilman Knight, in his Glossary hath summarily mentioned them: The nature of the Office is most accurately described by him in that worke, and also by Mr.

William Camden, Clarenceux *King of Armes, in his Hiſtory of Great Brittaine, in the deſcription and definition of the ſeveʳall Courts of Juſtice in this Kingdome, to which I referre thoſe that deſire to be particularly informed in that kinde.* Pollidor Virgill *would perſwade us the Office and name of Chancellor was not known in this Kingdome till after the Norman Conqueſt, and the Author of the Catalogue of Biſhops, is poſitive in that opinion, ſpeaking of* Swithen *Biſhop of* Wincheſter, *(the opinion of whoſe piety procured him the title of a Saint.) But the contrary is moſt cleere and evident as by the Authorities hereafter mentioned will appeare, to which I referre my Reader.*

A CATALOGVE OF THE CHANCELLORS of England from the time of the SAXON Kings.

Vrketill was Chancellor to King *Ethelbald*, who began his reigne in the yeere 718. this *Turketill* gave six Mannors to the Abbey of *Croiland*.

St. Swithen, Bishop of *Wincheſter*, was Chancellor and chiefe of Councell to the great Monarch King *Egbert*, who began his reigne about the yeere 802.

Wolfinus, was Chancellor to King *Athelſtone*, who began his raigne in the yeare 924. This King inriched the Monaſtary of *Malmesbury* in *Wiltſhire*, with large and ample indowments, and beſtowed great immunities upon the Towne. And in the Charter and grant of thoſe Liberties; ths *Wolfinus* is a witneſſe with the title of Chancellor.

Turketill, was Chancellor to the ſaid King *Athelſtone*, and ſo continued under King *Edmund*, who began his raigne in the yeare 940. and after the death of King *Edmund*, he was Chancellor to King *Edred*, the ſpace of two yeares.

Adulthus, Chancellor to King *Edgar*; who began his raigne in *Anno Dom.* 959. Of this man ſpeaketh *Hugo Petro Burgenſis*, and *Leland* calleth this *Adulph*, *Cancellarium & Archigrammatum*, Chancellor or chiefe Secretary.

Alſius or *Aelſius*, the ſecond Abbat of *Elie*, Chancellor to King *Ethelred*, who began his raigne in *Anno Dom.* 979. This man being by *Ethelwold* Biſhop of *Wincheſter*, conſecrated Abbat,

Abbat, by the appointment of the ſaid King *Ethelred*, or *Egelred*, and being then Abbat of *Elie*, when *Ethelred* gave out his commandement, that the Abbat of *Elie*, ſhould then, and for ever be Chancellor, I doubt not to place him here amongſt the Chancellors, the proofe of which matter I have here *verbatim* ſet downe out of the ſecond booke of the hiſtory of *Elie*. *Statuit* (which was *Ethelred*) *atque conceſſit quatenus eccleſiam de Elie, ex tunc & ſemper in regis curia cancellarij ageret dignitatem, quod etiam alijs, ſancti videlicet, Auguſtini & Glaſconiæ eccleſijs conſtituit, ut Abbates iſtorum cænobiorum vicisſim adſignatis ſuccedendo, temporibus annum trifarie dividerent, cum ſanctuarijs, & cæteris ornamentis miniſtrando, &c.*

Leofricus Bathonicus Chancellor to *Edward* the *Confeſſor*, in *Anno Dom.* 1045. and ſome yeares before, this man was Biſhop of *Cridington* in *Cornewall*, which ſee was after tranſlated to *Exceſter*.

Wiſinus, or *Wolfinus*, Chancellor to *Edward* the *Confeſſor*, in the latter end of the ſaid yeare 1045, being the third yeare of his raigne.

Reſenbaldus, or *Rembaldus*, (for I take them both by many and ancient authorities to be all one man,) was Chancellor to *Edward* the *Confeſſor*, and Seale-bearer, witneſſe amongſt others, to many Deedes, which I have ſeene of the *Confeſſors*, ſome dated in *Anno dom.* 1066 and ſome otherwiſe, he was buried at *Cirencester* or *Ciceſter*.

Mauricius, Chancellor to *William* the *Conqueror*, in *Anno dom.* 1067. being the firſt, and part of the ſecond yeare, of *William* the *Conqueror*.

Oſmundus, after Biſhop of *Sarum*, Chancellor to *William* the Conqueror in *Anno dom.* 1067, and after in the yeere 1075, about *Anno* 9 of the Kings reigne.

Arfaſtus Biſhop of *Helmane*, who tranſlated his See from *Helmane* to *Thetford*, was Chancellor to *William* the Conqueror, in *Anno dom.* 1068, being in the ſecond and third yeere of the Conqueror, and alſo in the yeere 1077, being about *Anno* 10. of *William* the Conqueror, *Mauricius* was againe Chancellor.

Hirmanus,

Hirmanus, that was first made Bishop of *Suring* or *Wilton*, and translated his See from *Wilton* to *Shirborne*, and from thence to *Sarum*; He is that *Hirmanus*, which (I suppose) was Chancellor to *William* the Conqueror, and called *Hirmanus*, and that wrote the life and miracles of S^t. *Edmund* King of the Eastangles.

William Welson, or *Wilson*, borne of a Noble house, Chaplain and Chancellor to *William* the Conqueror, (as hath *Robertus Montensis*) succeeded *Arfastus* in the Bishopricke of *Thetford*, to whom by the gift of *William Rufus*, succeeded in that See *Herbertus Losinga* Abbat of *Ramsey*, which translated the Bishops See to *Norwich*.

William Gifford, Bishop of *Wincheſter*, was Chancellor in the time of the Conqueror, and of *William Rufus*, & of *Henry*, who made him Bishop of *Wincheſter*, in *Anno dom.* 1100, and was consecrated in *Anno dom.* 1107, though it seemeth that *Robert Bluet* came in place of this *William Gifford*, removed about the fourth yeere of the same *Rufus*, from his Office of Chancellorship, (as I suppose will bee well prooved,)

prooved,) but after placed againe in that Office. Of the death of this *William* is much contrariety; for *Matthew Weſtminſter*, placed it three ſeverall yeeres, *viz.* in *Annis* 28 & 29, *Henry* 1, and againe in the yeere of Chriſt, 1142, being the ſeaventh yeere of King *Stephen*.

Robert Bluet, Bloit, or *Bloſcit*, made Chancellor in *Anno dom.* 1090. being *Anno* 4. of *William Rufus*, he was made Biſhop of *Lincolne*, in *Anno dom.* 1092. but as it appeareth by ſome authority, that I have ſeene he did execute that Office, being Biſhop of *Lincolne*, he dyed at *Woodſtocke*, in *Anno dom.* 1123. being about the 23. yeare of the raigne of *Henry* the firſt, whoſe Epitaph *Henry Huntington* reciteth in this manner.

Pontificum Robertus honor, quem fama ſuperſtes
Perpetuare dabit, nec obiturus obit,
Hic humilis, dives (res mira,) potens, pius ultor,
Compatiens, mitis, quum pateretur erat,
Noluit eſſe ſuis dominus, ſtuduit pater eſſe,
Semper in adverſis murus, & arma ſuis,
Undecima Jani mendacis ſomnia mundi
Liquit, & evigilans vera perhennè vidit.

Ranulphus,

Ranulphus in th: the time of *William Rufus*, which might be that man, which was after Chancellor, in the time of *Henry* the firſt.

Waldricus Chancellor to *Henry* the firſt, in *Anno dom.* 1103. being *Anno* 3. of his raigne.

William Gifford, aforeſaid was againe Chancellor.

Herbertus, Chancellor in *Anno* 4. *Henry* the firſt, in *Anno dom.* 1104. as appeareth by an Annonymall pamphlet in written hand, of whom I am not yet reſolved, whether this were *Herbertus Loſinga*, Biſhop of *Norwich* or noe.

Roger, Biſhop of *Salisbury*, whom *Henry* the firſt, called a meet Chaplaine to ſerve ſouldiers, was Chancellor to King *Henry* the firſt, in *Anno dom.* 1101. being the firſt yeare of King *Henry* the firſt, in *Anno dom.* 1107. about the ſeaventh yeare of *Henry* the firſt, being choſen Biſhop, in *Anno dom.* 1102. and conſecrated in the yeare 1107.

Galfridus Rufus, Biſhop of *Durham*, witneſſe to a Deed, wherein *Henry* the firſt con-

firmed to the priory of Chriſtchurch, a peece of ground without Aldgate, called *Knighton guild*, in the preſence of *Geofry Chancellor*, *Geofry Clinton*, and *William Clinton*, hee was Chancellor in *Anno* 22. *Henry* the firſt, and ſo untill *Anno* 33. *Henry* the firſt, and then was made Biſhop of *Durham*, which *Geofry* dyed about the yeare 1141.

Robertus Ranulphus, called by *Matthew Weſtminſter*, *Ranulphus* Chancellor to *Henry* the firſt, and *Richard* the Chaplaine, keeper of the great Seale, being at one time. This *Ranulph* was Chancellor in *Anno dom.* 1116. being the ſixteenth of King *Henry* the firſt, In which Office I ſuppoſe that he continued untill *Anno dom.* 1123. being in *Anno* 23. of the ſaid King, In which yeare this Chancellor, (for ſo is he then called) fell from his Horſe, and brake his necke on an hill, not far from *Dunſtable*, where the King kept his Chriſtmaſſe.

Richardus Capellanus, was keeper of the Seale under this *Ranulph*.

Reginald Chancellor to King *Henry* the firſt,

firſt, (as *Leland* hath ſet him downe,) writing in this ſort, in his notes of *Montacute* Abbey, *Reginaldus Cancellarius*, ſo named (belike) of his Office, he was a man of great fame, about King *Henry* the firſt, hee fell to Religion, and was Prior of *Montacute*, and inlarged it with great buildings, & poſſeſſions.

Thomas, Chancellor after this *Regnaild*, witneſſe to a Charter of the Church of *Norwich*.

Roger, Biſhop of *Salisbury*, againe Chancellor, in the latter end of the raigne of King *Henry* the firſt, and in the begining of King *Stephen*, in *Anno dom.* 1136, which *Henry* the firſt, dyed in the yeare 1135, being in *Anno* 35, of his raigne. This *Roger* died in *Anno dom.* 1139, being about the 4 yeer of King *Stephen*.

Godfrey, Chancellor to *Henry* the firſt, (as I gather out of *Matthew Parker*, in the life of *William Corbel*, or *Corbris*) the 36 Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, to which dignity this *William* was advanced in *Anno* 23, *Henry* the firſt, being in *Anno dom.* 1123, of which *Godfrey*, the ſaid *Matthew* further writeth in this ſort, ſpeaking of the ſaid *William* the Archbiſhop, returned from Rome with the Pall. *Deinde A-*

lexandrum Lincolnienſem epiſcopum Cantuariæ, Godfridum Regni Cancellarium, Bathonienſem epiſcopum Londini conſecravit.

Alexander, Biſhop of *Lincolne* (as may be after a ſort gathered out of *Wilhelmus Paruus*, *lib*: 1, *cap*. 6. being Coſin or Nephew to *Roger* Biſhop of *Salisbury*) was Chancellor, the words of which *Wilhelmus Paruus* be theſe. *Eodem* (that was to King *Stephen*) *quoque ſublimato in regem, ſe* (that was *Roger* Biſhop of *Salisbury*) *talem exhibuit, ut obſequiorum gratia præclaram apud illum habere fiduciam videretur. Tantis ille beneficijs ingratus, & in ipſum epiſcopum, (cujus opera nunquam epiſcopalia fuere) ultor diuinitus ordinatus, eundem tanquam exigui hominem momenti primo carcerati cuſtodia, poſtmodum etiam ſibi inopia, & nepoti ejus (qui Cacellarius fuerat regis) intentato ſupplicio ita coarctavit, ut duo illa præclara caſtella* (which were the caſtles of Viſe, otherwiſe called the deviſes, and the caſtle of *Shirborne*) *in quibus theſauri ejus erant repoſiti reſignaret.*

Robert, Chancellor of *England*, in the time of King *Stephen*, but I find not in what yeare, becauſe the Charter is without date, neither

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can I learne what he was, becauſe I know not his ſurname.

Philip, Chancellor to King *Stephen*, about the fourth yeare of his raigne, being in *Anno dom.* 1139. witneſſe to many Deeds, which King *Stephen* made to the Monkes of *Elie*, and to *Nigellus* the Biſhop of that See.

Reinold Abbat of *Walden*, whom I have ſeene in one anonymall briefe Chronicle, *M. S.* to be termed Chancellor, but in what time he lived, or what other name he had, I doe not yet know, but by the courſe of the hiſtory, much about this time.

John Chancellor of *England*, in the time of King *Henry* the ſecond.

Thomas Becket, made Chancellor, (as ſome write) in the firſt yeare of the raigne of King *Henry* the ſecond, others ſay in the fourth yeare, but the beſt authours agree, that he gave over the Seale in *Anno dom.* 1162, being in the eight yeare of the victorious Prince, King *Henry* the ſecond, againſt the will of the Prince, he dyed in *Anno dom.* 1170.

Ralphe Warnevile Archdeacon of *Roane*,

and Treasurer of the Church of *Yorke*, was made Chancellor about the yeare 1173, being in *Anno* 8, *Henry* the second, Of this man speaketh *Matthew Paris*, and *Matthew Westminster*.

Walterus de Constantijs, Archdeacon of *Oxford*, Bishop of *Lincolne*, in *Anno dom*, 1182, from whence he was advanced in *Anno dom*. 1184, being in *Anno* 31 *Henry* the second, unto the Arch-bishopricke of *Rome*.

Geofry, the bastard sonne to King *Henry* the second, after he had surrendred the Bishopricke of *Lincolne*, whereof he was never consecrate Bishop, but kept the place, and received the revenues, was made Chancellor much about *Anno* 26, *Henry* the second, in *Anno dom* 1181.

William Longchampe, the proud Bishop of *Elie*, Legat of *England*, for the Bishop of *Rome*, cheife Iustice of the South, and West, parts of *England*, Deputy of that part of the Realm, when *Richard* the first, went to the warres of the holy Land, was made Chancellor in *Anno* 1 *Richard* the first, being in *Anno Dom.* 1191,

1191, of the ſumptuous feaſt, of whoſe inthronization, thus writeth *Ferthulphus*, or *Ferculphus*, by the way of compariſon,

Præviſis alijs, Elienſia feſta videre,
Eſt quaſi præviſa nocte videre diem.

He dyed in the yeare of Chriſt, 1197, going to *Rome*, in the Abbey of *Pimie*; being of the Charterhouſe order, about which time in *Anno* 6, *Richard* the firſt, there was a Vice-chancellor called *Malus Catulus*.

Euſtachius, Deane of *Salisbury*, was Chancellor of *England*, being elected Biſhop of *Ely*, in the third Ides of *Auguſt*, in *Anno dom.* 1196, being in *Anno* 9 *Richard* 1, Of whom thus writeth *Matthew Parker*, in the life of *Hubert* Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, contrary to that which others affirme; writing that *Euſtachius* ſucceeded *William Longchampe* in the Office of Chancellor, and in the Biſhopricke of *Ely*. The words of *Matthew Parker* in the life of *Hubert* be theſe. *Hubertus depoſito magiſtratu civili, eccleſiæ curæ totus vacabat, conſecravitque poſtea Robertum de Solopesbi, epiſcopum Banchorenſem, & Euſtachium, qui in cancellarij munere ei ſucceſſit Elienſem epiſcopum, VVeſtmonaſterij debita*

bita accepta ab utroque ſubjectionis profeſſione.

Hubert Walter, or *Walter Hubert*, for ſuch a tranſmutation of the name, is uſed by authors, being firſt Biſhop of *Salisbury*, and then Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, was made Chancellor ſhortly after the Coronation of King *John*; which was in *Anno dom.* 1199, at what time a certaine Nobleman ſaide unto him in ſcorne, I have often ſeene, of a Chancellor made a Biſhop, but I never before ſaw an Archbiſhop made a Chancellor.

Simon, or rather *Hugh*, of which is more hereafter, Arch-deacon of *Wels*, in the firſt yeare of King *John*, after (as I ſuppoſe that *Hubert* had left the Office, being ſo diſgraced and abaſed, as he thought) was witneſſe to a Deed, in which King *John*, granted to the Cittizens of *Yorke*, a guildhall, hanſe, and other liberties, as I have ſeene noted in the Copy of the ſame Charter, for which cauſe, I have ſet it downe as another man, although in truth I am fully reſolved, that this *Simon*, and the *Hugh* following, were all one perſon, leaving it yet for every mans Iudgement.

Hugh

Hugh de Wels Archdeacon of *Wels* witneſſe to the Deed, in which King *John*, in the ſixt yeare of his raigne confirmed to the Monaſtery of *Weſtminſter*, *Giſtſlep*, or *Iſlep* in *Oxfordſhire*, in which houſe *Edward* the Confeſſor was borne, he was made Biſhop of *Lincolne*, about *Anno* 10, of the raigne of King *John*, in *Anno dom.* 1209, and dyed in the yeare of our Lord 1235.

Walter Gray, choſen Biſhop of *Cheſter*, in *anno dom* 1210, was Biſhop of *Worceſter*, and after Biſhop of *York*, a man of extream age, was made Chancellor in the ſeaventh yeare of King *Iohn*, as one anonymal Chronicle ſaith, to hold that Office during his life. Others ſay that he was made Chancellor in *anno dom.* 1209, being the tenth yeare of King *John*, after *Hugh de Wels*. But I ſuppoſe hee ſurrendred that Patent, to hold it during his life, when he came to be Biſhop of *Yorke*.

Richard de Mariſcho, whom *Mathew Paris*, termeth *Tholenarius*, as it were Toll-gatherer, or Treaſurer (if you liſt,) being Archdeacon of *Northumberland*, was Chancellor in the fourth yeare of King *John*, as appea-

reth by a Deed that I have ſeene, and further he was made Chancellor in *Anno* 15, of King *John*, in which Office he continued to the 17 yeare of the ſaid King, and as ſome do write, during King *John* his life, and died about the kalends of *May*, in *Anno dom*, 1226, in *Anno* 10, of the long raigne of King *Henry* the third, as ſome have; but the Booke of *Durham* ſaith; that he was made Biſhop of that See, by *Gwado* the Legat, and conſecrated by *Walter Gray*, Biſhop of *Yorke*, in *Anno dom*, 1214. being about *Anno* 16, of King *John*, and dyed ſodainely at *Peterborough* the firſt day of *May*, in *Anno dom* 1226, being the 10th yeare of King *Henry* the third, after that he had beene Biſhop of *Durham*, nine yeares.

For whom this formall Epitaph was made,

Culmina qui cupi — *laudes pompaſque ſui*
Et ſedata ſi — *ſi me penſare veli*
Qui populos regi — *memores ſuper omnia ſi* — *tis*
Quod mors immi — *non parcit honore poti* — *tis*
Vobis præpoſi — *ſimilis fueram bene ſci*
Quod ſum vos eri — *ad me currendo veni*

Ralphe Nevill, was confirmed Chancellor, as it ſeemeth by the whole conſent of the Nobility,

Nobility in *Anno dom.* 1226, being about *Anno* 10 *Henry* 3, after which he was made Biſhop of *Chicheſter*, in *Anno* 11 *Henry* 3, being in *Anno dom.* 1227, or as hath *Mathew Weſtminſter*, he was made Biſhop of *Chicheſter*, in *Anno dom* 1223, being before Chancellor, after which the King in *Anno* 12 of his raigne, offended with *Nevill*, tooke from him the great Seale, and delivered it to *Geofry* of the Temple, as hath *Mathew Paris*, and *Iohn de Lexington*, although that the ſaid *Nevill* remained ſtill Chancellor, and received the profit thereof, to whom the King would have regiven the ſeale in *Anno dom.* 1229, being the three and twentieth yeare of his raigne, but *Nevill* would not receive it This man dyed in the yeare of Chriſt 1243, being *Anno* 27 *Henry* 3, at his Palace at *London*, not farre from the new Temple.

Geofrey the Templer and *John de Lexington*, were made keepers of the great Seale, but ſhortly after this *Geofrey* had the Seale taken from him, becauſe he grew in diſlike of the Nobility in continually provoking them to anger.

Hugh Pateſhall, Cannon of *Pauls*, is by *Mathew Paris*, *Fol* 656, called Chancellor in *Anno* 23 *Henry* 3, Which I much doubt to be true, of his man ſhall be more ſaide in the Treaſurers of *England*.

Simon the *Norman* keeper of the great Seale, in *Anno* 23 *Henry* 3, being in *Anno dom.* 1219, he had the Seale ſhortly taken from him, and was baniſhed the Court, becauſe he would not ſeale the Patent, whereby *Thomas* Earle of *Flanders* might take foure pence for every Sacke of Wooll, that came out of *England* into *Flanders*, This *Simon* dyed in the yeare of Chriſt 1249, being in *Anno* 33 *Henry* 3.

Richard Graſſe or *Groſſus*, Abbat of *Eveſham*, (the ſaid *Simon* expelled) had the keeping of the great Seale in *Anno* 23, *Henry* 3, he kept the Seale three yeares, and being choſen Biſhop of *Cheſter*, hee reſigned the Seale in *Anno dom* 1242, being the 26, yeare of *Henry* the third, he dyed (being wiſe and learned in the Canon Law,) in the ſame yeare in *Gaſcoigne*, in a Citty called in Latine *Kiola* or *Rigala*, where he was buried.

John

John de Lexington, was againe made keeper of the Great Seale in *Anno* 26 *Henry* 3, being in *Anno dom.* 1242, to execute that Office, *Ralphe Nevill* being in life, and ſtill Chancellor, but in the Kings diſgrace, ſhortly after which, this *Nevill* dyed. This *Iohn Lexington* dyed in *Anno dom.* 1252, being in *Anno* 41, *Henry* 3.

Ranulfe Briton, as I read, is ſaide to be Chancellor, and Treaſurer of the Chamber, about the 37 yeare of *Henry* the third, being in *Anno dom.* 1241, I ſuppoſe that he only had the keeping of the great Seale, as the reſt had before him, during the life of *Raphe Nevill*, and ſo I leave him to the judgement of others, ſith *Matthew Paris*, continually nameth him Treaſurer, and once Chancellor, who ſodainly dyed after dinner, beholding players at Dice, in *Anno dom.* 1246, being in *Anno* 30 *Henry* 3, Of whom thus writeth the ſaide *Matthew Paris*, in his greater hiſtory *Fol.* 934. *Ranulphus Brito quondam Dominus familiariſſimus Regi & Reginæ multis poſthabitis nobilibus & ejuſdem Cancellarius ſpecialis, quum poſt menſalem refectionem, aleatores certatim inſpexiſſet colludentes, lethalis*

thalis apoplexia, inexpectato vulnere corruit ſugillatus.

Silveſter de Everſden, received the great Seale in *Anno* 29 *Henry* 3, being in *Anno dom.* 1246, he was Vice-chancellor, and conſecrated Biſhop of *Carleil,* (being a man moſt cunning in the cuſtome of the Chancery) in *Anno dom.* 1247. being in *Anno* 31 *Henry* 3.

Iohn Manſell Treaſurer of *Yorke,* Parſon of *Maidſtone* in *Kent,* Parſon of *Wigan,* Chancellor of *Paules,* Maſter or Ruler of *Beverley,* Chiefe Iuſtice of *England,* one of the privy Counſell to *Henry* the third, his Chaplaine, Ambaſſador into *Spaine,* and a worthy ſouldier, croſſed to goe to *Ieruſalem,* who at one feaſt, had two Kings, two Queenes, and I know not how many Noblemen, and whoſe ſpirituall livings were about 4000 Markes, of yearely revennewes (as I have gathered) he was at the will and inſtance of the King made keeper of the great Seale, as Vice-chancellor, for *Matthew Paris* ſaith, *Cuſtodiam ſigilli regij accepit Cancellarij vices acturus & officium,* about *Anno* 31 *Henry* 3, in *Anno dom.* 1247, he buiſt an houſe of regular Cannons

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at *Rumney*, one of the Cinque Ports in *Kent*; To this man King *Henry* the third, in *Anno* 30 of his raigne, did grant that his Towne of *Wigan* ſhould be a Burrough.

John de Lexington, being after chiefe Iuſtice of the Forreſt, from the River of *Trent* Southward, was againe keeper of the great Seale, untill ſome part of the 42, yeare of *Henry* the third, in *Anno dom.* 1248.

John Manſell, againe keeper of the great Seale, who at *Woodſtocke*, in the 32 yeare of *Henry* the third, did receive the great Seale of the ſaid *John Lexington*, which he kept (as I ſuppoſe, and that with ſome good proofe) untill the 33 yeare of the ſaid King, being in *anno dom.* 1248, Of which *John Manſell*, thus writeth, an old anonymall Chronicle, concerning the Barons warres. *Sed & Johannes Manſell multarum in Anglia eccleſiarum Rector, ſeu potius incubator, reddituum quoque quorum non erat numerus poſſeſſor magnificus, ita quod ditior eo clericus non videbatur in orbe epiſcopali, puta dignitate minime inſignitus, metu Baronum auſugit, & latenter ultra mari de Turri London, in qua Rex Angliæ, & Regina ſua tunc temporis tenuerunt ſe:*

Quem

Quem quum Henricus filius regis Alemaniæ fugientem insequeretur, & ipse capitur quum applicuisset Bononiæ, a Magistro Gerardo, de fines procuratore ut putabatur reginæ.

Radulphus de Diceto, was Chancellor as I reade and suppose, much about this time.

William of *Kilkenny*, being a modest, wise, and faithfull man, learned in the Canon and Civill Lawes, was made keeper of the great seale in *Anno dom.* 1250. being in *Anno* 34 *Henry* 3, He was elected to the Bishopricke of *Elie*, as saith the History of *Elie*, the 18 Calends of *September*, in *Anno dom.* 1255, being about *anno* 39 *Henry* 3. But others say, that he being then Vice-chancellor, was elected Bishop of *Elie*, in *anno dom.* 1254, being *anno* 38 *Henry* 3, after that he had faithfully, and to his great commendation, used and borne the great seale, he was consecrated to that Bishopricke in *anno dom.* 1255, and dyed in *anno dom.* 1256, being about *anno* 41 *Henry* 3, whose heart was buried at *Elie*.

Henry de Wingham, was made Chancellor in *anno* 39 *Henry* 3, and continued in *annis* 41 & 42,

& 42 *Henry* 3, in which yeare (as ſome have) and in the 43 of *Henry* the third, (as others have) he was choſen Biſhop of *Wincheſter*, upon condition that he ſhould give place to *Athelmer*, halfe brother to King *Henry* the third, and ſonne to *Hugh Brunne*, Earle of *Marſhe*, and of *Eleanor*, King *Henry* the third his Mother, being baniſhed by the Barons, if that he ſhould againe come into *England*, and then leave the biſhopricke of *Wincheſter* unto him, which he did upon the comming againe of the ſaid *Athelmer* into *England*, and for that cauſe was after choſen Biſhop of *London*, in *Anno dom.* 1259, being in *Anno* 33 *Henry* 3. and ſtill Chancellor, and is buried in *Pauls*, on the South ſide of the Quire, (next to *Euſtachius* Biſhop of *London*,) in a Monument of Marble, with this inſcription on the wall to tell who it was. *Hic jacet Henricus de Wingham quondam epiſcopus hujus eccleſiæ qui multa bona contulit miniſtris eccleſiæ ſanctiPauli.*

Walter Merton Chancellor in *Anno* 44 *Henry* 3, being in *Anno dom* 1260.

Nicholas of *Elie*, made Chancellor by the Barons in *Anno dom.* 1260, and *Walter Merton*

diſplaced. But King *Henry* the third diſdaining to have Officers appointed him by his ſubjects, did in the month of *October* following in *Anno dom.* 1260. or rather 1261, deprive the ſaid *Nicholas*, and replaced the ſaid *Walter Merton*.

Walter Merton, Biſhop of *Rocheſter*, the ſecond time made Chancellor, as before appeareth.

John de Cheſill, Arch-deacon of *London*, and Treaſurer of *England*, was made keeper of the great ſeale in *Anno dom.* 1264, in *Anno* 48 *Henry* 3. This man was conſecrated Biſhop of *London* in *Anno dom* 1274, the third Kalends of *May*, as hath *Matthew Weſtminſter*, he dyed in *Anno dom.* 1279, the fourth Ides of *February*, in *Anno* 7, of King *Edward* the firſt.

Thomas de Cantelupe, borne of the noble houſe of the Lords *Cantelupes*, the ſonne of *William Cantelupe* and *Millecent*, which (as ſaith *Leland*) drew her originall from the Counteſſes of *Yorke*, being Arch-deacon of *Stafford*, was Doctor, and after ward Biſhop of *Hereford*, in *Anno dom.* 1276, and before that made Chancellor,

Chancellor, after the feaſt of *S. Peters* Chaire, in *Anno dom.* 1265, being in *anno* 49, *Henry* 3, he dyed beyond the Seas, comming from the Court of *Rome*, in *anno dom.* 1278, being in *anno* 6 *Edward* 1, or more truely (as others have,) in *anno* 1283, being *anno* 11 *Edward* 1, whoſe bones were brought to *Hereford.*

Walter Gifford Biſhop of *Bath* and *Wels*, whom many doe call *William*, did injoy the ſtate of the Chancellor, in *anno dom* 1266, being *anno* 50, *Henry* 3, he was tranſlated from *Bath* to *Yorke* in *anno dom.* 1259, being in *anno* 49 *Henry* 3, and dyed the 7, kalends of *May*, in the xij. yeare of his Biſhopricke in *anno dom.* 1277, being in *anno* 6, *Edward* 1, or as *Nicholas Trivet* in *anno dom.* 1279. being the 7, yeare of King *Edward* 1.

Geofry Gifford, was Chancellor alſo in *anno* 51 *Henry* 3, being in *anno dom.* 1267, This man was Biſhop of *Worceſter*, about *anno dom.* 1299 where he ſate 34, yeares, 4 moneths, 4 dayes, and dyed in the yeare 1304, being about the 32, yeare of King *Edward* the firſt.

John de Cheſill, was the ſecond time ho-

noured with the place of the Chancellor in *anno dom.* 1268, being the 53 yeare, of King *Henry* the third.

Richard de Middleton, ſo ſurnamed of the place where he was borne, was advanced to the Office of the Chancellorſhip in the ſaid *anno* 53 *Henry* 3, in the moneth of *July* in *anno dom.* 1268, and was alſo, (as appeareth by a Charter which I have ſeene,) witneſſe to the ſame Deed, in *anno* 54 *Henry* 3, who as farre as I can gather) dyed in *Auguſt*, in *anno dom.* 1271, being *anno* 56 of the long governement of King *Henry* the third.

John de Kirby, after the death of *Richard Middleton*, was made keeper of the great ſeale, in the ſaid *anno* 56 *Henry* 3, It is very probable that this was the ſame *John Kirby*, which after was Biſhop of *Elie*, and Treaſurer of *England*.

Walter Merton, the third time made Chancellor of *England*, in *Anno dom.* 1273, being the firſt yeare of the raigne of that famous Prince King *Edward*, the firſt of that name, He was Biſhop of *Rocheſter*, and founded Merton Colledge in *Oxford*, and dyed the yeare of Chriſt,

Chriſt, 1278, being the ſixt yeare of the raign of King *Edward* the firſt.

Robert Burnell, the eleaventh Biſhop of *Bath* and *Wels*, (after the uniting of thoſe two Sees, in one, by *Iohn de Toures*, in *Anno dom.* 1272, was made Biſhop of *Bath*, in the yeare of our Lord, (as ſaith *Everſden*) 1274, choſen Arch-biſhop of *Canterbury*, in *Anno dom.* 1278, but rejected by the Pope. He was Chancellor in *Anno* 2 *Edward* 1, in which place it ſeemeth, that he long continued, of whom thus writeth an anonymall Chronicle.

Dominus Edmundus Comes Cornubiæ fundavit novum ſtudium ordinis Ciſtercienſis apud Oxonias, & monachos de Thame primo ibidem introduxit, & dedit eis prima donatione Manerium de Erdington, & fecit dedicare locum Abbatiæ Tertij Idus Decembris, per Dominum Robertum Burnell epoſcopum Bathon & Wels, Cancellarium regis, & poſuit fundamentum novæ eccleſiæ eodem die Northoſneiæ. This Biſhop was required, with the ſonne of *Edward* the firſt, and *Gilbert de Clare* Earle of *Glouceſter*, in the time of *Edward* the firſt, to bee delivered for pledges for *Lleweline*, Prince of *Wales*, for his ſafe returne, if he came

to the parliament, whereunto he was ſommoned, by the ſaid King *Edward*, In the time of this Chancellor, the Court of Chancery, was kept at *Briſtow*. This man dyed in *Anno dom.* 1293, being *Anno* 21, *Edward* 1.

John de Langton, was made Chancellor of *England*, in *Anno dom* 1293, being the 21 yeare of the victorius King *Edward* the firſt, in which office he remained untill the death of the ſaid King, being in *Anno dom.* 1302, He was made Biſhop of *Chicheſter*, about *Annis* 26 or 27, *Edward* 1. being in *Anno dom.* 1298, or rather 1299, And in the ſaid yeare 1299, he was before choſen Biſhop of *Elye*, but rejected by the Pope, who made him Archdeacon of *Canterbury*. From which *Langton* King *Edward* did take the great ſeale in the thirtieth yeare before ſaid, and delivered it to *John Drokenford*.

John Drokenford keeper of the Wardrope was made keeper of the great Seale in the thirtieth yeare as before, in which office he continued from about the 15 day of *Auguſt*, untill *Michaelmas*.

William

William de Grimefeild Deane of *Chicheſter* and Canon of *Yorke*, was advanced to the place of Chancellor in *Anno Dom.* 1302. being about *Anno.* 30. *Edward* 1. which Office was given unto him at Saint *Radigunds* (as ſaith *Anonymus M.S.* He was after choſen Biſhop of *Yorke*, in *Anno dom.* 1303. who in the yeare of our Lord 1308 buried the body of the ſaid King *Edward* the firſt in *Weſtminſter*, though the King dyed in *Anno dom.* 1307. This Biſhop dyed in *Anno dom.* 1315 being about the ſixt yeare of King *Edward* the ſecond, at *Cawood*, after that he had beene Biſhop nine yeares, eleaven moneths and two dayes, and was buried in S. *Nicholus* Porch at *Yorke*, receiving his conſecration at *Rome*, in *Anno dom.* 1305, (after that he had beene there two yeares) of Pope *Clement*, This *Greinfeild* was a man very eloquent, and pithie, and Prudent in Counſell.

William de Hamilton, Deane of *Yorke*, was created Chancellor of *England*, in *Anno dom.* 1305, being the 33. yeare of that noble prince, King *Edward* the firſt; this *William* dyed in *Anno dom.* 1307, being about *Anno* 35.

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of the ſaid King at the Abbey of Fontneſſe in *Yorkſhire*, being a man that well deſerved of the Common wealth.

Ralphe de Baldocke, choſen Biſhop of *London* in *Anno dom.* 1303, was confirmed at *Titneſhall*, by *Robert* of *Winchelſey* Biſhop of *Canterbury*, and conſecrated at *Lyons* by *Peter* of *Spaine*, Biſhop of *Alba*, the third Calends of *February*, in *anno dom.* 1305, Hee was made Lord Chancellor of *England*, after the death of the ſaid *William Hamilton*, in the ſaid 35, yeare of King *Edward* the firſt, and received the great Seale, in the *Rogation* weeke following, being ſome foure or five weekes, after he was advanced to that Office, at the Exchequer, ſhortly after which dyed King *Edward* the firſt, for which cauſe the ſaide *Baldocke* ſent the great Seale to King *Edward* the ſecond then at *Carliel*, by reaſon of his fathers death. This *Baldocke* dyed, on *S. James* Eeve in *anno dom.* 1313, being *anno* 7, *Edward* 2.

Iohn Langton Biſhop of *Chicheſter*, againe made Lord Chancellor of *England* in *Anno dom* 1307. being the firſt yeare of King *Edward* of *Carnarvan* in which office it ſeemeth

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that he continued untill *Anno dom.* 1310 being in *Anno* 3 *Edward* 2.

William Melton having two others joyned with him had the great Seale delivered unto them for a certaine time, to execute all ſuch things as were to be done therewith, during the Kings pleaſure. This man was a Canon of *Yorke*, Provoſt of *Beverly*, Treaſurer of *England*, and Archbiſhop of *Yorke*, as ſaith *Anonymus M.S.* He was conſecrated Biſhop of *Yorke* at *Rome*, where he tarried two yeares for the ſame, he was a man never wearied with travell. He firſt of all the Biſhops of *Yorke*, after a long controverſie betwixt the Deane and Cannons of *Yorke*, viſited the chapter by due order, he was wiſe, rich, ſeverein correction, gentle, familiar and humble, he finiſhed the *Weſt* part of the Church of *S. Peters* in *Yorke*, with 300 pound, he was Archbiſhop of *Yorke*, 22 yeares, five, or ſixe moneths, and two dayes, he dyed at *Cawood*, on *S. Georges* Eeve, in *Anno dom.* 1330, and was buried in the Minſter of *Yorke* neere the Font.

Walter Reinolds Biſhop of *Worceſter*, Treaſurer of *England*, and Archbiſhop of *Canter-*

bury, was made keeper of the great Seale, and Chancellor of *England*, on the fixt of *July*, *Anno dom.* 1310, being *anno* 3 *Edward* 2.

John de Sandall Clerke, Bishop of *Winchester* and Treasurer, was at *Yorke* made Chancellor of *England*, in *Anno dom.* 1314. being *anno* 8 *Edward* 2, in which place, he continued two yeares and more, some part thereof being after that he was made Bishop of *Winchester*, (as I gather) and then delivered backe the Seale at *Westminster*, in *anno dom.* 1317, being in *anno* 11 *Edward* 2, Of this man is more spoken in the Treasurers of *England*.

John Hotham Bishop of *Elie*, was created Lord Chancellor of *England*, in *anno dom.* 1317, being in *anno* 11 *Edward* 2, In which Office he continued untill *anno dom.* 1319, being *anno* 13 *Edward* 2, During whose government of the See of *Elie*, in *anno dom.* 1341, the steeple fell downe, which made such a terrible noise, and shaking of the ground, that it was supposed to be some earthquake. He dyed of the palsey in *anno dom.* 1336, being *anno* 10 *Edward* 3.

John

John Salmon Biſhop of *Norwich*, was advanced to be Chancellor in *anno dom.* 1319, being *anno* 13 *Edward* 2, againſt whom the Nobles rebelled, for the miſdemenour of *Piers Gaveſton*, (the *Gaſcoigne*) Earle of *Cornwall*. In this yeare 1319, (as ſaith one Anonymal Chronicler *M. S.*) was *William Airemine*, Keeper of the ſeale, Vice-chancellor, taken priſoner by the *Scots*. The words of the which Author, for the more certainety thereof, we have here ſet downe.

Epiſcopus Eborum, epiſcopus Elie theſaurarius, Abbas beate Marie Eborum, Abbas de Salbie, Decanus Eborum, Dominus Willielmus Arymanee Vice-Cancellarius Anglie, ac dominus Johannes Dabeham, cum 8000 ferme hominum, tam equitum quam peditum & Civibus properanter, civitatem egredientes, quoddam flumen Swale nuncupatum ſparſim cuneis tranſeuntes, & indiſpoſitis, ſeu potius confuſis ordinibus, cum adverſariis congreſſi ſunt. Scoti ſiquidem in Marte gnari amplitudinem eorum exercitus caute regentes, in noſtris agminibus ſtrictis audaciter irruerunt, noſtrorum deniq; in breui laceratis cuneis atq; diſſipatis, corruerunt ex noſtris, tam in ore gladij quam aquarum ſcopulis ſuffocati, pluſquam 4000. & capti ſunt domini Johannes de Dabeham,

& *dominus Willielmus de Arymenee, ut præfertur de Cancellaria &c.* Which *William Arymenee* was also in the said 15 of *Edward* 2. one of the Keepers of the great Scale, as I have seene registred.

Robert Baldocke, Archdeacon of *Middleton*, a man evilly beloved, and whom the old English Chronicle remembers, with ill attributes, was made Chancellor of *England* in *anno* 17 *Edward* 2, at the Castle of *Pickering* in *Yorkeshire*, he was after made Bishop of *Norwich* and did his fealty for restitution of his Temporalties in *anno* 19, of the said King *Edward* the second, at *Woodstocke*, in *Oxfordshire*, he was apprehended in *anno* 20 *Edward* 2 being in *anno dom* 1326, or as others have in the yeare 1325, And first committed to the custody of *Adam Tarleton*, or *de Orleton*, bishop of *Hereford*; and after was put in the prison of the *Newgate*, of *London*; in which 20 yeare of King *Edward* the second, the great seale was againe delivered to *William Arymenee*, who (as I suppose was then also made Bishop of *Norwich* and this *Baldocke* deposed from that see. Of which *Baldocke* thus writeth

teth a Polychronicon of Durham. *Robertus de Baldocke Cancellarius anno 1325, captus cum Hugonibus de Deſpenſers, quia clericus fuit & ſacerdos in nova porta Londinarum, poni fecit Edwardus Princeps & Iſabella mater ejus, ubi pro nimia miſeria mortuus fuit infra breve.*

John Hotham biſhop of *Elie*, the ſecond time was at *Weſtminſter*, made Chancellor of *England* in *anno dom.* 1326, being the firſt yeare of the Raigne of that King, that intituled himſelf King of *England* and *France*, but he continued not long in the ſame Office, for he was removed in the ſecond yeare of the ſaid King, being in *anno dom.* 1328, He was elected Biſhop in *anno dom.* 1316, in which place he ruled twenty yeares, and died in *anno dom.* 1336, of the palſey, at *Summerſham*, being buried in the Church of *Elie*, under a goodly monument of ſtone, with the Image of a biſhop carved out of Alabaſter upon his Tombe.

Henry cliffe, Maſter of the Rolles, had the charge and Keeping of the great Seale of *England*, in the ſaid yeare of Chriſt, 1328, being the ſecond yeare of King Edward the

third, and was the Kings Chancellor also.

Henry de Burgh, *Burghwash*, or *Burghurst*, Nephew to *Sr. Bartholmew Bladismere* baron of *Leedes* in *Kent*, having beene Treasurer of *England*, enjoyed the honour of the Chancellor, in the second yeare of King *Edward* the third, being in *anno dom.* 1328. and was made Chancellor at *Northampton*, which Office he did not long enjoy.

John Stratford Bishop of *Winchester*, and after of *Canterbury*, and sometime Treasurer of *England*, was made Chancellor of the Realm, in *anno dom.* 1330, being in *anno* 4 *Edward* 3, who being sent in the sixt yeare of his raigne, in *anno dom.* 1332, Ambassador beyond the Seas, about the affaires of the King and Kingdome, did not like Cardinall *Woolsey* the Chancellor, (in the dayes of King *Henry* the 8.) presumptuously carry the great Seale with him beyond the seas, but left the same in his absence with others, who both could and would answere the well or evill using thereof whiles he was in *France*, This man continued in the Office, untill the Eight yeare of *Edward* the third.

Richard

Richard de Bury, otherwise called *Richard de Angervile*, being borne in a little village beſides *S. Edmundſbury* commonly cald the *Bury* Abbey, was ſo ſurnamed *Bury* of that place, had to his Father *Sr. Richard Angervile* Knight, This man being firſt kept at ſchoole by his Vnele *Sr. John Willelee* Prieſt, was afterward Treaſurer of *England*, Chancellor, and Biſhop of *Durham*, to which place of Chancellorſhip, hee was advanced in the yeare 1334 being in *anno* 8 *Edward* 3, which office he received by the Kings gift at *Weſtminſter*, in which yeare he was inthronized, being firſt conſecrated Biſhop in *anno do.* 1333, in the Biſhoprick of *Durham*, by *William Cawton Prior* of *Durham*. He kept the See 11 yeares, two moneths, and twelve dayes, and died in the yeare 1345, and was buryed in the *South* angle of the Church at *Durham*.

John Stratford, the ſecond time Lord Chancellor, being now Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, was inſtalled therein at *York*, in *anno dom.* 1335, being the ninth yeare of the Raigne of King *Edward* the third.

Robert de Stratford or *Strafford* (as ſome have

have Written) but as I thinke corruptly, being Archdeacon of *Canterbury*, (which Office was first ordeined by *Anselme*, Archbishop of the said City) was made Chancellor of *England*, on the 24 day of *March*, *anno dom.* 1326, being in the 11 *Edward* 3, He was after made Bishop of *Chichester*, desiring to be removed from that office of Chancellorship, which was granted unto him. Whereupon he surrendred up the Seale unto the said King *Edward* 3, in the 12 yeare of his Raigne, being in *anno dom.* 1338.

Richard de Bintworth, chosen Bishop of *London* and confirmed by *John Stratford*, Archbishop of *Canterbury* at *Oxford*, the tenth kalends of *June* 1338, was at *Waltham* advanced to the honour of Lord Chancellor, in the moneth of *July*, in the said yeare 1338, being the 12 yeare of King *Edward* the third.

John Stratford the third time Lord Chancellor of *England*, in which Office he did not long continue.

Robert Bishop of *Chichester*, being the foresaid *Robert Stratford*, was againe made Lord Chancellor

Chancellor of *England*, in *Anno dom.* 1340, being *anno* 14 of the raigne of *Edward* the third, who was put out of that Office, and ſhould with the Treaſurer of *England* have beene ſent into *France* for a pledge for the payment of certaine ſommes of money.

Robert de Bourchier, borne of the honourable houſe of the Lord *Bourchiers*, was in the Towre of *London*, made Lord Chancellor of *England*, in *December* in *anno* 14 *Edward* 3 being in *anno dom.* 1340, though ſome ſay, hee was made Chancellor in *anno* 15 of the ſaide King.

Robert Perning, *Pernicke*, or *Pernwicke*, alſo Treaſurer of *England*, was made Chancellor of *England*, in *anno dom.* 1341, bing in *anno* 15 *Edward* 3, he dyed in the yeare 1343, being in *anno* 17 of the ſaid King. This man was a Serjant in the third yeare of *Edward* the third when he began to plead as a Serjant, in which he continued untill *anno* 11 *Edward* 3, and was after that, Iuſtice, Treaſurer, and Chancellor, and dyed in the common plees being Chancellor, ſitting and arguing amongeſt the Iuſtices, as appeares in the Law books

of thoſe yeares, of *Edward* the third, of whom is laſt mention made in the 17 yeare of *Edward* the third, where hee is named Chancellor.

Robert de Saddington Knight, was inveſted with the dignity of Lord Chancellor, after the death of *Perning* in *anno dom.* 1343, and in *anno* 17 *Edward* 3, He was elected to be Biſhop of *Canterbury*, and ſo was inſtalled, but never received the Pall. There was alſo one *Richard Saddington* Knight, Treaſurer of *England*, of whom I have ſpoken in my diſcourſe of the Lord Treaſurers.

John Offord or *Vfford*, Deane of *Lincolne*, was made Chancellor of *England*, in *anno dom.* 1345. being *anno* 19 *Edward* 3, Hee dyed in the moneth of *May*, in *anno dom* 1349, being the 23, yeare of the Raigne of that victorious King, *Edward* the third.

John Thorſby Biſhop of *Worceſter*, Archbiſhop of *Yorke*, and Cardinall, was inſtalled in the ſeat of the Lord Chancellor, in *anno dom.* 1349, being *anno* 23 *Edward* 3, who at his great ſuit was diſcharged of the Office

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of Chancellor, by delivery of the great Seale in *November* in *anno* 30 of the ſaid King, being in *anno dom* 1356, after hee had kept that place, a'moſt by the ſpace of 7 yeares, He in the 10 yeare of his Biſhopricke, on the third kalends of *Auguſt*, beganne the frame of the Quire in S *Peters* Church in *Yorke*, and laid the firſt ſtone thereof, to which he gave an Hundred poundes, He dyed at *Thorpe*, and was buryed at *Yorke*, in *anno dom* 1363, or as others have, 1373, after that he had beene Archbiſhop, one and twenty yeares, and one and twenty dayes.

William de Edington, Biſhop of *Wincheſter*, Lord Treaſurer of *England*, was made Chancellor of *England* in *November*, in *anno dom.* 1356, in *anno* 30 of King *Edward*, the third.

Simon Langham, Abbat of *Weſtminſter*, Biſhop of *Elie*, Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, and Treaſurer of *England*, was made Lord Chancellor in *February* in *anno dom.* 1363, being the ſeaven and thirthieth yeare of the governement of King *Edward* the third. Of this *Simon* were theſe verſes, made when he was remo-

ved from *Elie* to the Biſhopricke of *Canterbury*.

Exultent cæli quia Simon tranſit ab Eli
Cujus in adventum flent in kent millia centum.

Of whom alſo becauſe he richly endowed the Abbey of *Weſtminſter*, with great gifts, of ſingular coſt and value, a certaine Monke compiled theſe verſes.

Res es de Langham, tua Simon ſunt data quondam
Octingentena librarum millia dena.

Of this man is more ſpoken in the following diſcourſe, of the Lord Treaſurers of *England*.

William de Wickeham, ſo called of the place of his Birth, whom *Leland* maketh Treaſurer of *England*, which by any poſſible meanes cannot be ſo, for any thing that I can yet learne. This man being Biſhop of *Wincheſter*; and advanced to that place in *anno dom.* 1367, in *anno* 41 *Edward* 3, in which place he ſate ſeaven and thirty yeares, was ſometime keeper of the privie ſeale, and made alſo Chancellor of *England*, in *Anno dom.* 1367, being

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the 41 yeare of *Edward* the third, in which Office he remained about foure yeares, and in *March*, in the yeare 1371, being the 45 of King *Edward* the third, did deliver up the great Seale, to the King at *Weſtminſter*. Hee was buried in the body of *Wincheſter* Church, which he new built, with the other places about it, of whom were theſe verſes compoſed, for the building of his Colledges, the one at *Oxford*, and the other at *Wincheſter*.

Hunc decet eſſe pium fundatis collegiorum
Oxoniæ primum ſtat Wintoniæque ſecundum.

Robert Thorpe Knight, being before Iuſtice of the Law in *Anno dom.* 1370, was after at *Weſtminſter* advanced to the Chancellorſhip in *March*, in *Anno* 45, *Edward* 3, being in *Anno dom.* 1371, Who going home to his owne houſe, left the great ſeale with foure of the Guardians, or Maſters of the Chancery, whereof the one was called *Walter Power*, to keepe and uſe as need required.

Sr. *John Knivet* or *Knivell*, (as ſome books have by the tranſcriber corrupted) was made Chancellor of *England* in *July*, in *Anno dom.*

1372, being the 46 yeare of King *Edward* the third, in which Office hee continued (as I gather) untill the 50 yeare of the ſaide King *Edward* the third, in which yeare (as here at hand appeareth) came in place, the Biſhop of *S. Davids*.

Adam de Houghton, Biſhop of *Menenia*, or of S. *Davids* in *Wales*, was advanced to the office of Lord Chancellor in *Anno dom.* 1376, being the 50 yeare of King *Edward* the third, who in the 51 yeare of the ſaide King, was with the Earle of *Salisbury*, and the Biſhop of *Hereford*, ſent Ambaſſador beyond the ſeas. And here I thinke it not amiſſe to ſet downe the originall of the Rolls in Chancery Lane in this ſort.

Henry the third did build an houſe for the Iewes converted to the faith of Chriſt, which houſe is at this day, (and hath beene long before this time) appointed for the keeping of the Kings Rolles and recordes, being now called and knowne by the name of the Rols in Chancery Lane, beſides Lincolnes Inne. In which houſe the maſter of the Rolles (for the time being) hath his dwelling. In which

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alſo there is a faire Chappell, called the Chappell of the Rolles, being a place commonly appointed wherein men accoſtome to pay money upon contracts.

The grant of *Henry* the third, for erecting of the houſe of Converts.

Rex archi epiſcopis & c. Sciatis nos intuitu Dei, & pro ſalute animæ noſtræ & animarum anteceſſorum & hæredum meorum conceſſiſſe, & hac charta noſtra confirmaſſe pro nobis & hæredibus noſtris domum quam fundari fecimus in vico, qui vocatur Newſtreet, inter vetus Templum & novum London, ad ſuſtentationem fratrum converſorum, & convertendorum de Judaiſmo ad fidem catholicam, in auxilium ſuſtentationis eorundem fratrum in eadem domo converſantium, domos & terras quæ fuere Johannis Harbeton in London, & ſunt in manu noſtra, tanquam eſchæta noſtra, excepto Gardino, quod fuit eiuſdem Iohannis in vico prædicto de Newſtreet, & quod prius per Chartam noſtram conceſſimus venerabili patri Radulpho Ciceſtrenſi epiſcopo Cancellario noſtro, & omnes alias eſchætas, quæ tempore noſtro per feloniam, vel quacunque ex cauſa nobis accident in civitate noſtra, vel in ſuburbio

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infra libertatem civitatis noſtræ London. Quare volumus & firmiter præcipimus pro nobis & hæredibus noſtris quod prædicta domus habeat & teneat libere & quiete Bene & in pace, ad ſuſtentationem fratrum converſorum & convertendorum de Judaiſmo; ad fidem catholicam, in auxillium ſuſtentationis eorundem fratrum, in eadem domo converſantium, domos & terras, quæ fuerunt Johannis Harbeton in London, & ſunt in manu noſtra, tanquam eſcheta noſtra, excepto gardino quod fuit eiuſdem Iohannis in vico prædicto de Newſtreet, & quod prius per chartam noſtram conceſſimus venerabili patri Radulpho Ciceſtrenſi epiſcopo Cancellario noſtro, & omnes alias eſchetas, quæ tempore noſtro per feloniam vel quacunque ex cauſa nobis accident in civitate noſtra, vel in ſuburbio infra libertatem civitatis noſtræ London, ſicut prædictum eſt, His teſtibus venerabilibus patribus W. Kaerl. & W. Exon, epiſcopis. H: de Burgo Comite Kantiæ. Radulpho filio Nicholai, Godfrido de Crancombe Iohanne filio Philip. Amaurico de ſancto Amundo, Will: de Picheford, Galfrido de Cauz, & aliis. Dat. per manum Ve: P: R: Ciceſtrend: epiſcop. Cancellar. noſtri apud Weſtmin. 19. die Aprilis.

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The Grant of Edward the third whereby the ſaid houſe was in the one and fiftieth and laſt yeare of the ſaid *Edward*, converted to the cuſtody of the Rolles and records of the Chancery.

Rex omnibus ad quos, &c. ſalutem. Sciatis quod nos, conſiderantes qualiter domus converſorum in ſuburbio Civitatis noſtræ London, de patronatu noſtro exiſtens, & capella, ædificia, & clauſur: ejuſdem, tempore quo dilectus noſter Will. Burſtall *cuſtodiam ejuſdem domus ex collatione noſtra primo habuit, per negligentiam & incuriam aliorum qui ante prædictum* Will. *cuſtodiam domus illius habuerunt, & ibidem, morari ſeu inhabitari non curaverunt, multipliciter & quaſi totaliter in ruina exſtiterunt, & quod prædictus* Will. *tempore ſuo de bonis ſuis propriis, grandes coſtas & expenſas ſuper recuperatione & emendatione domus, capellæ, ædificiorum, & clauſur. prædict. ac etiam ſuper factur: novar domorum ibidem. Nos ut domos converſorum, capella, ædificia, clauſur. & novæ domus ſupradict. competenter ſuſtententur & cuſtodientur in futurum, ad ſupplicationem prædicti* Willielmi, *qui cuſtos Rotulorum Cancellariæ noſtræ exiſtit, in præſenti conceſſimus, de gratia noſtra ſpeciali, pro nobis & hæredibus noſtris,*

ſtris, quod poſt mortem ejuſdem Willielmi, *dicta domus converſorum, cum ſuis juribus & pertinentibus quibuſcunque remaneat & moretur in perpetuum Clerico Cuſtod. Rotulorum Cancellar noſtræ & hæredum noſtrorum pro tempore exiſtente, & ſimiliter annex. eidem officio in perpetuum, & quod Cancellarius Angliæ vel cuſtos ſive cuſtodes magni ſigilli noſtri & hæredum noſtrorum Angliæ pro tempore exiſtentium, poſt mortem ipſius* Willielmi *habeat, & habeant poteſtatem ad quamlibet vocationem dicti officij cuſtodis Rotulorum, per mortem ceſſionem, vel mutationem perſonæ, quocunque tempore futuro, inſtitutum ſucceſſivè cuſtodes Rotulorum prædictorum in dicta domo converſorum, & Cuſtodes illos ponend. in poſſeſſionem ejuſdem cum ſuis juribus et pertinentibus quibuſcunque. In cujus, &c. T. R. apud Shene. 11. Aprilis, Anno* 51. Edw. 3.

But after the death of this King *Edward*, the ſaid *William Burſtall* Maſter of the Rolls, (belike not ſuppoſing this to bee a ſufficient grant) procured this houſe by act of Parliament in the firſt yeare of King *Richard* the ſecond, to be more ſtrongly eſtabliſhed to the uſe of the Maſter of the Rolles for the time. After which *John de Waltham*, Maſter of the Rolles, after Biſhop of *Salisbury*, and Treaſurer

ſurer of *England*, procured King *Richard* the ſecond in the ſixt yeare of his raigne, by his Letters Patents to confirme the ſaid houſe to the ſaid *William* and his ſucceſſors Maſters of the Rolles. And whereas by the Patent of *Edward* the third, the Maſter of the Rolles was appointed and inſtalled in that houſe by the Chancellor, it is to be noted, that the ſame manner of induction and inſtalment continued as long as the Maſter of the Rolles was of the Clergy, as I have ſeene ſet downe by others, and as the Preſidents of thoſe inſtalments, and the Writts themſelves extant of record doe well prove.

Sir *Richard Scroope* Knight Lord of *Bolton*, having beene Lord Treaſurer in the time of the deceaſed King *Edward* the third, was now in *October* about the latter end of the yeare, 1378 or the beginning of the yeare 1379. being the ſecond yeare of the after depoſed King *Richard* the ſecond, made Lord Chancellor, and had the great Seale delivered unto him, who in the third yeare of the ſaid King at a Parliament, did ſurrender up his office. Of this man is more ſet downe in the diſcourſe of the Treaſurers.

Simon Sudbury ſo ſurnamed of the place of his birth, but by deſcent called *Tibold* the ſonne of *Nicholas Tibold*, deſcended of a gentlemanlike race dwelling at *Sudbury* in *Suffolke*. This *Simon* was Archbiſhop of Canterbury, and made Chancellor about the yeare of Chriſt, 1380. in the third yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, and was by the Rebells beheaded in the Tower of *London*, in the fourth yeare of the diſquieted government, of that unfortunate, but valiant King *Richard* the ſecond. After whom in the fifth yeare of the ſaid King, was *R.* Biſhop of *London*, whereof I have ſeene and taken a note, which Biſhop was (as I conjecture, and have ſome authority to prove) *Robert Braybrooke* which followeth, and was made Chancellor againe after Sir *Richard Scroope*.

R. Biſhop of *London* Chancellor the fifth yeare of King *Richard* the ſecond, at which time *Robert Braybrooke* was Biſhop of *London*.

Sir *Richard Scroope* Knight, Lord of *Bolton*, made Chancellor againe about the latter end of *November*, by the Lords of the Parliament

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(as I take it) in the fifth yeare of the raigne of King *Richard* laſt mentioned, and was the yeare following, being about *Anno dom.* 1383, againe depoſed from his office, and the King receiving the ſeale, kept it a certaine time, and therewith ſealed ſuch grants and writings as pleaſed him, and in the end delivered the ſame to *Robert Braybrooke*. Of this man ſee more in the Treaſurers.

Robert Braybrooke Biſhop of *London*, made Lord Chancellor in *September* following the moneth of *July* when Sir *Richard Scroope* was depoſed, was advanced to that dignity on S. Matthews Eeve, in the ſixt yeare of the raigne of the ſaid King *Richard* the ſecond, in which he continued not longer then the *March* following, (as hath *Anonymus, M.S.*) he was conſecrated Biſhop of *London* the fifth of *January*, *Anno dom.* 1381, he dyed the 17. of *Auguſt* in *Anno dom.* 1404, being the fifth yeare of King *Henry* the fourth.

Michael de la Poole, or at *Poole*, as hath *Thomas Walſingham*, was made Chancellor in the moneth of *March*, in *Anno* 6. of the ſaid King *Richard* the ſecond, and was made Earle of

Suffolke in the ninth yeare of the ſaid King, being after depoſed from his office of Chancellorſhip at his owne and earneſt requeſt, in the tenth yeare of the ſaid King. This man having fled the Realme, for that he was purſued by the Nobility, dyed at *Paris* in *Ann.* 13. of *Richard* the ſecond, being in *Anno dom.* 1389, of whom that worthy Poet Sir *John Gower*, living at that time, in his Booke intituled *Vox Clamantis*, compoſed theſe verſes.

Eſt comes elatus, fallax, cupidus, ſceleratus,
Fraudes per mille ſtat Cancellarius ille
Hic proceres odit, & eorum nomina rodit
Morſibus a tergo, ſit tandem profugus ergo;
Sic Deus in cælis mala de puteo Michaelis
Acriter expurgat ne plus comes ille reſurgat.

Thomas Arundell, of the noble houſe of the Earles of *Arundell*, was firſt Biſhop of *Elie*, and then of *Yorke*, and laſtly of *Canterbury*, he was made Lord Chancellor of *England*, in *Anno* 10, of the raigne of the unfortunate King *Richard* 2, which was about *Anno dom.* 1386, in which office he remayned about two yeares.

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William Wickham, was againe made Lord Chancellor of *England*, in *Anno* 12 *Richard* 2, but was in the end remooved from thence in *September*, in the 15 yeare of the troublesome governement of the said King *Richard*.

Thomas Arundell aforesaid, was the second time created Lord Chancellor of *England*, in the saide 15 yeare of *Richard* 2, in place of *William Wickham*, in which office he remained about five yeares, and was deposed and banished the Realme in the 20 yeare of the said King *Richard*.

John Scarle, *Scirlee*, or *Serle*, Master of the Rolles of the Chancery, and Keeper of the great Seale, hee was Chancellor or in the place of Chancellor in the first yeare of the raigne of King *Henry* the fourth, being in *Anno dom.* 1399.

Edmund Stafford, Keeper of the Privie Seale, Bishop of *Excester*, and sometime Bishop of *Rochester*, and lastly Bishop of *Yorke*, and borne of the noble house of the *Staffords*, was made Lord Chancellor of *England*, about the moneth of *March*

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in *Anno dom.* 1400, being about the ſecond yeare of the uſurping King *Henry* the fourth, in which Office hee continued untill *Anno dom.* 1403, being in *Anno* 4 of the ſaid King *Henry* the fourth, he being Keeper of the Privy Seale, was made Biſhop of *Exceſter*, the 20 of *June*, in *Anno dom.* 1395, being the 21 yeare of *Richard* 2. Hee was conſecrated at *Lambeth*, and kept the See of *Exceſter*, three and twenty yeares. Hee increaſed two fellowſhip in *Stapletons* Inne, in *Oxford*, reformed the Statutes of the houſe, and called it *Exceſter* Colledge. Hee died the fourth of *September*, in the ſeaventh yeare of King *Henry* the fift, being in *Anno dom.* 1419.

Henry Beauford, the ſon of *John* of *Gaunt*, by *Katherine Swineford*, made Biſhop of *Lincolne* in *Anno dom* 1398, as hath *Tpodigma*, was advanced to the dignity of Chancellor in *Anno dom.* 1403, being the fourth yeare of King *Henry* the fourth his elder Brother, by the daughter of the Earle of *Hereford*, in which office, he was in the fift yeare of King *Henry* the fourth, and ſixt of the ſame King, (as our Chronicles doe remember) he was made Biſhop of *Wincheſter*, in *Anno dom.* 1404, being

ing the fift yeare of King *Henry* the fourth.

Thomas Langley Prieſt and Biſhop of *Durham*, was at *Weſtminſter* made Chancellor in *Anno dom* 1405, being in *Anno* 6. of *Henry* the fourth, in which office he continued (as far as I know) untill he was made Biſhop of *Durham*, which was on the 7. of *May* in *Anno* 7. of King *Henry* the fourth, being in *Anno dom.* 1406, he was Biſhop one and thirty yeares, and dyed in *Anno dom.* 1437, being the 16. yeare of King *Henry* the ſixt. See more following.

Thomas Fitzalen, brother to *Richard* Earle of *Arundell*, being returned out of exile, with *Henry* of *Bullingbruke*, Duke of *Hereford* and *Lancaſter*, and after King of *England*, by the name of *Henry* the fourth, was againe Chancellor, and continued therein about two yeares being removed from that place about *September*, in *Anno* 11 of *Henry* the fourth, being in *Anno dom.* 1410.

Thomas Beauford Knight, the ſonne of *John* of *Gaunt*, ſonne to King *Edward* the third, and brother to King *Henry* the fourth, was made Lord Chancellor in *Anno* 11 of the ſaid

King, being in *Anno dom* 1410, in which office hee remained not full three yeares, but left the ſame office, and was created Earle of *Dorcet*, and laſtly, Duke of *Exceter*.

John Wakering Clerke, Maſter of the Rolles was made keeper of the great Seale, when *Thomas Beauford* left the office of Chancellor, which Seale hee kept about the ſpace of a Moneth, for in *January* after that he had received the Seale, there was a Chancellor created.

Thomas Fitzallen, or *Arundell*, Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, was the fourth time inveſted with the Chancellorſhip in *Anno dom.* 1412. being in *Anno* 13. of *Henry* the fourth, in which office he continued during the life of the ſaid King, who dyed in the fourteenth yeare of his Raigne, and in *Anno dom.* 1413.

Henry Beauford Biſhop of *Wincheſter*, and after Cardinall in the time of *Henry* the ſixt, being Vnckle to King *Henry* the fift then reigning, was the ſecond time made Chancellor in *Anno dom.* 1413. being in *Anno* 1. of *Henry*

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the fift, in which place he remained untill the fift yeare of the reigne of the ſaid King, being in the yeare of our Lord 1417.

Thomas Langley Biſhop of *Durham*, was the ſecond time made Lord Chancellor of *England* in the ſaid yeare of our Lord 1417, being the 5, yeare of that worthy Conqueror King *Henry* the 5, Which office hee received at *Southwicke*, and continued in that honor (as farre as I can learne) by the ſpace of ſix yeares or more, whereof five yeares were fully ended in the life and death of the ſaid *Henry* the 5, and the ſixt yeare ended in the laſt of the firſt, or beginning of the ſecond yeare of King *Henry* the 6.

Henry Beauford Biſhop of *Wincheſter* before named, was the third time made Lord Chancellor of *England*, in the ſecond yeare of the raigne of King *Henry* the ſixt, being about *Anno dom.* 1423, or 1424, for the ſecond yeare of that King fell partly in the one and partly in the other of the ſaid yeares of our Lord. In which office he continued about the ſpace of foure yeares, untill he was made Cardinall in *Anno dom.* 1426.

John Kemp Biſhop of *London*, was made Lord Chancellor of *England* in the fourth yeare of that King *Henry*, who in his youngeſt yeares was crowned firſt King of *England*, and then King of *France* in *Paris*, in which office he remained (as I ſuppoſe) about ſix yeares.

John Stafford Deane of Saint *Martin* and of *Wels*, Prebend of *Milton* in *Lincolne* Church, Biſhop of *Bath* and *Wells*, Lord Chancellor and Treaſurer of *England*, and Biſhop of *Canterbury*,) was made Lord Treaſurer of *England*, in the moneh of *February*, in *Anno dom.* 1431, falling in the tenth yeare of King *Henry* the ſixt, he remained in that office, untill *John Kempe*, was againe made Lord Chancellor, which was about *Anno* 6 of *Henry* the ſixt, And here I thinke it not unmeet to remember, that ſome have noted *William Wanfleet*, that was Biſhop of *Winchester*, and Chancellor of *Oxford*, to be Chancellor of *England*, when he built *Magdalen* Colledge in *Oxford*, in *Anno* 25 *Henry* the ſixt, which poſſibly cannot be, ſith this *Iohn Stafford*, held that office from the tenth of *Henry* the ſixt, untill the

the eight and twentieth of the ſame King, which was eighteene yeares, during which time they place this *Wanfleet* to be Chancellor of *England*, which error I ſuppoſe they have committed, in that they finding him Chancellor, at the time of the building of his Colledge in the ſaid 25 yeare of King *Henry* the ſixt, have taken him to be Chancellor of *England*, when he was then but Chancellor of *Oxford*, although indeed afterward he was Chancellor of *England*, in *Anno* 35, of the ſaid King, as after ſhall appeare.

John Kempe, Biſhop of *Yorke*, and Cardinall was the ſecond time made Lord Chancellor in the 28 yeare of King *Henry* the ſixt, being in *Anno dom.* 1450, in which office he dyed, being Biſhop of *Canterbury*, in *Anno do* (as ſaith *Matthew Parker*) 1453, being the 32 yeare of the raigne of King *Henry* the ſixt. This man was firſt Biſhop of *Rocheſter*, next of *Chicheſter*, thirdly of *London*, then of *Yorke*, where he ſate ſate 28 yeares, and laſtly he was Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, and Cardinall by the title of Saint *Rufind*, which preferments are breifly expreſſed in this verſe.

Bis primas, ter præſes & bis Cardine Functus.

Richard Nevill, Earle of *Saliſbury*, the ſon to *Raphe Nevill*, Earle of *Weſtmerland*, and father to the valiant *Richard Nevill*, Earle of *Warwicke*, was after the death of *Iohn Kempe*, by Parliament made Lord Chancellor in the 32 yeare of King *Henry* the ſixt, though others make it to be in the 33 yeare of the ſame King. In which place hee continued not long, for in the yeare following, another was ſubſtituted and he remooved.

Thomas Bourchier, brother to *Henry Bourchier*, Earle of *Eſſex*, Biſhop of *Elie*, and Biſhop of *Canterbury*, was made Chancellor in *Anno* 33 *Henry* 6, in which he remained much about 2 yeares in whoſe time (as ſaith *Matthew Parker*) about *Anno dom.* 1461, was the Art of *Printing* invented at the Citty of *Argentorat* in *Germany*. About which matter, and eſpecially for the exact and certaine time thereof, many writers, although their count about one time doe diſagree: yet at the inventing of that worthy thing, were theſe verſes compoſed, in commendation of the ſame moſt excellent Art.

O felix noſtris memoranda impreſſio tectis
Inventore nitet utraque lingua tuo
Deſierat quaſi totum quod fundis in orbe
Nunc parvo doctus quilibet eſſe poteſt
Omnes Nunc homines igitur te laudibus ornent
Te duce quando ars hæc mira reperta fuit.

William Patan or *Paten*, borne of a Gentlemanly Family, being commonly called *William Wanſleet*, of the place of his birth, and being provoſt of *Eaton*, and Biſhop of *Wincheſter*, was Lord Chancellor in *Annis* 35, & 36, & 37, of the unfortunate King *Henry* the ſixt, as have the Records, of the Exchequor. By which appeareth the error of thoſe, as I have before noted, that miſtaking the 25. of King *Henry* the ſixt, in which time hee was but Chancellor of *Oxford*, for the 35. of the ſaid King, in which hee was Chancellor of *England*.

George Nevill (the ſonne of *Richard Nevil* Earle of *Salisbury* and brother to *Richard Nevill* Earle of *Warwicke*) being made Biſhop of *Exceſter*, came to that See, in *Anno dom.* 1455. in which See he continued tenne yeares, and was removed to *Yorke* in *Anno dom.* 1465, hee

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was made Lord Chancellor in the 38. yeare of the raigne of the depoſed King *Henry* the ſixt, in which office hee remained about 8. yeares, and then was remooved in the ſeventh yeare of King *Edward* the fourth, being in *Anno dom.* 1467, He was a great friend to S. *Albons*, and procured *Edward* the fourth, in the fourth yeare of his raigne, to give and confirme to *John Whethamſtead* Abbat of Saint *Albons*, the Priory of *Pembrooke*. This Biſhop *Nevill* did after in the 13 yeare of King *Edward* the fourth, grow in ſuch diſgrace with the King, that he was ſpoyled at one time of twenty thouſand Pounds.

Robert Kirkham, Maſter of the Rolles, was made Lord Keeper of the great Seale, upon the removing of *George Nevill*, in the month of *July*, in the yeare of Chriſt, 1467, being the ſeventh yeare of King *Edward* the fourth.

Robert Stillington, Doctour of the Lawes, Keeper of the privy Seale in *Anno* 3 *Edward* the fourth, Biſhop of *Bath* and *Wels*; being made Chancellor in the ſeaventh yeare of King *Edward* the fourth, did ſtill ſo continue untill *Anno* 13, of the ſaid King.

Henry

Henry Bourchier, Earle of *Eſſex*, and firſt advanced to that title of honour by King *Edward* the fourth, came in place of the laſt Chancellor, about the 13 yeare of *Edward* the 4, in which place he remained not much more then one Trinity tearme, for in the ſaid 13 yeare, about the Moneth of *Auguſt*, was Biſhop *Booth*, Lord Chancellor of *England*.

Lawrence Booth, ſometime Maſter of *Pembrooke* Hall, Biſhop of *Durham*, and after of *Yorke*, was made Lord Chancellor about *Auguſt*, or rather before, betweene that and Trinity tearme, (after *Henry Bourchier*) in the ſaid 13 yeare of King *Edward* the 4, after his redemption of the Kingdome of *England*. This Biſhop being brother to *William Booth*, ſometime Biſhop of *Yorke*, did build the Biſhop of *Yorke* his houſe at *Batterſey*, which Mannor he before bought of *Nicholas Stanley*, whom *Leland* the minſer and refiner of all *Engliſh* names, doth moſt curiouſly in Latine call, *Nicholaum Stenelegium*. Hee continued in the See of *Yorke*, three yeares and nine moneths, and died at *Southwell*, in *Anno dom.* 1480 being in *Anno* 20 *Edward* 4.

Thomas Scot, ſurnamed *Rotheram*, becauſe of the Towre of *Rotheram*, in *Yorkeſhire*, where he was borne and bred up, was Biſhop of *Rocheſter*, and then of *Lincolne*, where he ſat nine yeares, and after that was Biſhop of *Yorke*, whereunto he was inſtalled firſt at *Yorke*, then at *Ripon*, being Provoſt of *Beverley*, he was made Chancellor of *England*, in *Anno dom.* 1474, being in *Anno* 14, *Edward* 4. This Biſhop in *Anno* 15 of the ſaid King, went over the Sea, with the ſaid *Edward* 4, when he went to have an *interview* with the *French* King, of which meeting *Monſieue de Argentine*, (by name *Philip Comineus*) beſides our *Engliſh* Chronicles, doth make mention, as a perſon that bare a part in that Solemnity.

John Alcot Biſhop of *Rocheſter*, was made Chancellor during the abſence of King *Edward*.

Thomas Rotheram, being before Lord Keeper of the Privy Seale, was after his returne out of *France*, the ſecond time made Lord Chancellor, about the time, in which the ſaid King had gotten *Berwicke* from the *Scots*, about *Anno* 20 *Edward* 4, For the free gaining

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of the Towne was not ſo much before his death. In which Office this *Rotheram*, continued all the life of King *Edward* the 4, and in the time of the Reigne of the guiltleſſe murthered young Prince King *Edward* the 5, untill it was aſcribed to him for over much lightneſſe, that he had delivered in the beginning of the rebellious government of the protectorſhip of the bloody and unnaturall *Richard*, Duke of *Glouceſter*, the Seale to the Queene, to whom it did not appertaine, and from whom he received it not. Hee founded a Colledge at *Rotheram*, dedicated it to the name of Ieſus, and endowed it with great poſſeſſions, and ornaments, and annexed thereto the Churches of *Langhton* and *Almanbury*.

John Ruſſell Biſhop of *Lincolne*, a grave and learned man, had the Seale delivered to him by the ſaide Protectour of *England*, during the time of the ſhort Raigne of the yong King *Edward*, when the ſame Seale was taken from *Rotheram*, and ſo this *Ruſſell* was made Chancellor in the moneth of *June* in *Anno dom.* 1483, being the firſt yeare of

King *Richard* the third. This *Ruſſell* is buryed in the Church of *Lincolne*, in a Chapell caſt out of the upper wall of the *South* part of the Church.

Thomas Barow Maſter of the Rolls, was made Keeper of the great Seale, which I ſuppoſe, was in the third and laſt yeare of the ſaid King *Richard* the third, for in that yeare he was Maſter of the Rolles.

Thomas Rotheram, made againe Lord Chancellor in the firſt entrance of King *Henry* the ſeaventh, into the governement, but very ſhortly after he was diſplaced, and the Biſhop of *Worceſter*, placed in that roome, he was Archbiſhop of *Yorke*, 19 yeares and ten moneths, he was very beneficiall to all his kindred, and advanced ſome with marriages, ſome with poſſeſſions, and ſome with ſpirituall livings. He dyed the 29 day of *December*, in *Anno dom.* 1500, being the 16 yeare of King *Henry* the eight, at *Cawood* in *Yorkeſhire*, the morrow after the Aſcenſion, being of the age of threeſcore and ſixteene yeares, or more. He was buried in *Yorke Minſter*, on the *North* ſide, in our Lady Chapell, in a tombe

tombe of Marble, which hee cauſed to be made whileſt he was living.

John Alcot, Biſhop of *Worceſter*, made in *Anno dom.* 1476, was Lord Chancellor of *England* in *Anno* 1 *Henry* 7, being in *Anno dom.* 1485 ſhortly after the entrance of the ſaid *Henry* into the governement of *England*, for though *Rotheram* were Chancellor, when he got the victory, for that he had beene ſo before, and for that the King was neither provided, nor minded ſodainely to have a man, not meet for that place to execute the ſame, yet this Biſhop *Rotheram* kept not that roome many months, but that Biſhop *Alcot* came in place, becauſe the King found Biſhop *Alcot* a meeter perſon to execute the ſame office, anſwerable to the diſpoſition of the Kings humour. All which notwithſtanding, whether for malice of others, or for his owne deſerts, or both, or for the more ſpeciall truſt, that the King put in Doctour *Moorton*, Biſhop of *Elie*, who had beene the meanes to bring him to the Crowne, this Biſhop *Alcot*, fell ſhortly in the Kings diſgrace, was diſplaced of his Office, and Doctour *Moorton* came in his roome. So

that in this firſt yeare of King *Henry* the ſeaventh, there ſeemed to be three Chancellors in ſucceſſion, one after another, All which before *Moorton*, in this firſt yeare of King *Henry* the ſeaventh, may perhaps more properly be termed, Keepers of the great Seale, then Chancellors.

Iohn Moorton Doctor of the Civill Law, an Advocate in the Civill Courts, and of the Counſell of *Henry* the ſixt, and to *Edward* the fourth, to whom alſo he was Maſter of the Rolles, was made Biſhop of *Elie*, in *Anno Dom.* 1478, and Lord Chancellor, of *England*, at his returne from beyond the Seas, in the firſt yeare of King *Henry* the ſeventh, being in *Anno Dom.* 1485, after which he was advanced to the Arch-biſhopricke of *Canterbury*, he dyed in *Anno Dom.* 1499, in *Anno* 15 of *Henry* the ſeaventh, as hath *Matthew Parker*.

William Warham, Advocate in the Arches, Maſter of the Rolles, Biſhop of *London*, and then Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, was before his advancement to the See of *Canterbury*, made Chancellor of *England*, in the time of *Henry* the ſeaventh, in which office he continued,

nued, until about the latter end of the ſeaventh yeare of King *Henry* the Eight. At what time ſurrendring the Seale, by reaſon of his age and weakeneſſe, the ſame was delivered to *Thomas Woolſey*.

Thomas Woolſey, ſometimes Chapleine to *Henry Deane*, Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, after the Kings Almoner, and Abbat of S. *Auſtins*, who poſſeſſing many other Abbies, and Biſhoprickes, was advanced to the government of the great Seale, about the beginning of the 8, yeare of King *Henry* the eight, being in *Anno Dom.* 1516, to hold the ſame during his life, (as I gather) in which office yet he continued not above thirteene yeares, untill *Anno* 21 of King *Henry* the 8, being in *Anno Dom.* 1529. During which time of his Chancellorſhip in *Anno* 19 of King *Henry* the eight, being *Anno Dom.* 1527. he went into *France*, repreſenting the King of *Englands* Perſon, to ſet order for the delivery of Pope *Clement* the ſeaventh, and *Francis* the *French* King, at what time he carried the great Seale over the Seas, to *Calis*, Which Seale hee left with Doctor *Taylor*, Maſter of the Rolles, to keepe the ſame at *Calis* untill

untill the Cardinalls returne out of the *French* Dominions. He died in *Leiceſter* Abbey, not without ſuſpicion of poiſon, as was thought, which he had prepared for himſelfe, and given to his *Apothecary* to deliver when hee called for it, the two and twentieth of King *Henry* the eight in *Anno Dom.* 1530.

Thomas More Knight, Chancellor of the *Dutchie* of *Lancaſter*, was advanced to the honour of Chancellorſhip of *England* in *Anno Dom.* 1529, being in *Anno* 21 of King *Henry* the eight, In which office this rare witted Knight (to uſe *Eraſmus* his epitheton) and learned Chancellor continued not full three yeares, but in *Anno* 24 of the ſaid King, with much labour and earneſt ſuit, he left his office. Touching which it will not be impertinent to ſet downe the words of *Mitthew Parker*, in the lives of the Biſhops of *Canterbury*, in the life of *Thomas Cranmer*, writing after this manner. *Interea rex dum Papæ meditabatur excidium, ſingulorum de papali authoritate ſenſus in licuis haud obſcuris collegit. Inter quos Thomas Morus quia regis conatus pontificiis valde ſuſpectus fuit, Cancellarii munere, vema regis ægre impetrata, ſeſe abdicavit.*

Thomas

Thomas Audeley, Atturney of the *Dutchie* of *Lancaſter*, Serjant at the law, (as moſt affirme) and ſpeaker of the Parliament, was made Knight, and Keeper of the great Seale, the fourth of *June*, in *Anno* 24, of the raigne of King *Henry* the eight, in *Anno dom.* 1532, not long after which he was made Lord Chancellor of *England*, This man in the tenth yeare of his Chancellorſhip, being in *Anno dom.* 1542, and *Anno* 35, *Henry* 8, changing the name of *Buckingham* Colledge in *Cambridge*, did name it the Colledge of S. *Mary Magdalen*, and endowed it with ſome poſſeſſions. He dyed on *May* Eeve, in *Anno dom.* 1544 being in *Anno* 35 *Henry* 8.

Thomas Wriotheſly, Knight of the Garter, Sonne to *William Wriotheſly*, *Yorke* Herald, and Grand-childe to *John Wriotheſly*, Garter King of Armes, being created Baron at *Hampton* Court, on the firſt day of *Ianuary*, in the 35 yeare of the Reigne of King *Henry* the eight, in *Anno dom.* 1543. was after advanced to the honour of the great ſeale, and Chancellorſhip of *England*, about the beginning of *May* in *Anno* 36 *Henry* 8, being in *Anno dom.* 1544,

in which office hee did continue untill the death of the ſaid King *Henry* the eight, And in the beginning of the raigne of King *Edward* the ſixt, he was the ſixt of *March* remooved, and the ſeale was delivered to *William Paulet*, Lord *S. John* of *Baſing*. This *Thomas* Lord *Wriotheſly*, being created Earle of *Southampton*, by King *Edward* the ſixt, died at his houſe of *Lincolne* place in *Holborne*, the 30 of *July* in the 4 yeare of the ſaid King *Edward*, in the yeare 1550, and was buried at *S. Andrewes* in *Holborne*.

William Paulet Knight, being firſt Steward of the lands of the Biſhopricke of *Winchester*, then Treaſurer of the houſhold, Lord *Sent-John* of *Baſing*, Lord great Maſter of the Kings houſe, afterwards Earle of *Wiltſhire*, *Marqueſſe* of *Winchester*, and Treaſurer of *England*, being of the Privie Councell to King *Henry* the eight, King *Edward* the ſixt, Queen *Mary*, and Queene *Elizabeth*, had the keeping of the great ſeale committed unto him the ſeaventh day of *March*, in the yeare of our Lord 1547, being the firſt yeare of the raigne of the young King *Edward* the ſixt, which

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ſeale he had in Cuſtody, about ſeaven moneths, untill the 23, or 24, of *October* following, at what time Sr. *Richard Rich*, was made Lord Chancellor.

Sir *Richard Rich*, Knight, A Gentleman well deſcended and alyed in *Hampſhire*, created Lord *Rich*, was advanced to the dignity of Lord Chancellor of *England*, about the 23, of *October*, in *Anno dom.* 1547, being the firſt yeare of the raigne of the noble King *Edward* the ſixt, in which place he remained about five yeares.

Thomas Goodericke, or *Godericke*, being Biſhop of *Elie*, had the great Seale delivered unto him, and was made Lord Chancellor of *England*, the 20 of *December*, (as *John Stow* hath noted in his Chronicle) in *Anno dom.* 1551 being *Anno* 5 *Edward* 6, in which office he continued all the life of the ſaid King *Edward*, who died in *Iuly*, *Anno dom.* 1553, being the ſeaventh yeare of his raigne, and about one moneth after, untill the 13, or 14, day of *Auguſt*, in which Queene *Mary* made *Stephen Gardiner*, her Chancellor.

Sir *Nicholas Hare*, Maſter of the Rolles, had at the comming of Queene *Mary* to the Crowne the great Seale, after the death of King *Edward*, as Lord Keeper by the ſpace of a fortnight, and ſhortly after was *Stephen Gardiner* made Chancellor.

Stephen Gardiner, Biſhop of *Wincheſter*, was in *Auguſt* in *Anno dom* 1553, being the firſt yeare of the raigne of Queene *Mary*, made Chancellor of *England*. This man going in ambaſſage unto *Calis*, left the great ſeale in the cuſtody of *William Paulet*, *Marqueſſe* of *Wincheſter*, which Biſhop after his returne into *England*, continued in that office all the time of his life, which he ended the 15, of *November* in *Anno dom.* 1555, being the third yeare of Queene *Mary*. After which the great ſeale, lying in her Majeſties cuſtody, ſhee on the *New-yeares day* following, made a new Chancellor.

Nicholas Heath, Biſhop of *Rocheſter*, Almoner to the King, Ambaſſador into *Germany*, Biſhop of *Worceſter*, Preſident of *Wales*, and Archbiſhop of *Yorke*, was upon *New-yeares day*, in *Anno dom.* 1555, being the third yeare of

of the raigne of Queene *Mary*, advanced to the honorable dignity of Chancellorſhip; But Queene *Mary* deceaſing on the 17 day of *November*, in *Anno dom.* 1558, and the ſixt yeare of her governement, this *Heath*, upon the placing of Queene *Elizabeth*, upon the throne of the *Engliſh* governement, was remooved from his Office, and Maſter *Bacon* advanced.

Nicholas Bacon Eſquire, Atturney of the Court of *Wardes*, was made Knight, and Lord Keeper of the great ſeale, the 22 of *December* in *Anno dom.* 1558, being the firſt yeare of Queene *Elizabeth*. Which name of Lord Keeper, he ſtill kept during his life, and the time of his Office. In whoſe time there was an Act of Parliament eſtabliſhed, to make the power of the Keeper of the great ſeale equall with the authority of the Chancellor. This man continued in this office, and worthily executed the ſame, being a man of rare wit, and deepe experience during the time of his life, which continued untill the 20 of *Febru-ary* in *Anno dom.* 1578. after the Accompt of *England*, being the one and twentith yeare

of Queene *Elizabeth*, which place this man kept eighteene yeares.

Thomas Bromlie, the generall Sollicitor of Queene *Elizabeth*, a Councellor of the Law, and one of the Inner Temple, was advanced to the dignity of Lord Chancellor, on the 25 day of *Aprill* in *Anno dom.* 1579, being in *Anno* 21 *Elizabeth.*

Sir *Chriſtopher Hatton*, being Vice-chamberlaine, to Queene *Elizabeth*, was conſtituted Lord Chancellor of *England*, and Keeper of the graat ſeale, upon Sunday the 29. day of *Aprill*, in the 29 yeare of the ſaid Queenes raigne. *Anno dom.* 1587.

John Puckring, Serjant at law, was made Knight, and ſworne of the privy Councell, at *Greenewich*, upon Sunday the 28. day of *May*, in the 34 yeare of Queene *Elizabeth*, and at the ſame time was made Lord Keeper of the great ſeale of *England*.

Sir *Thomas Egerton*, Knight, being Maſter of the Rolles, had the great ſeale of *England* delivered unto him, at *Greenewich*, and ſworne of the Privy Councell, upon the 6 of

May

May 1596, being in the 38. of Queene *Elizabeth*, and ſo continued in both thoſe places till the firſt yeare of King *James*, who created him Baron of *Elſmere* at *Hampton* Court 21 *July* 1603, and made him Lord Chancellor, and laſtly created him into the dignity of Vicount *Brackley*, the 7. day of *November*. 1616, but ſevered the place of Maſter of the Rolles, which was given to *Edward Bruce*, Lord *Kinloſſe*.

Sr. *Francis Bacon*, Knight, Atturney generall to King *Iames*, and at the ſame time of the Privy Councell; ſecond ſonne of Sr. *Nicholas Bacon*, ſometime Lord Keeper of the great ſeale, upon the 7 of *March* 1616 in the 14 yeare of King *James*, a few dayes before the death of the former Lord Chancellor, had the great ſeale committed to him, and being created a Baron by the title of Lord *Verulam* at *Wanſted* the 12 of *July* 1617, was made Lord Chancellor the 4 of *January* following and made Vicount of St. *Alban* the 20 of *Ianuary* 1620.

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Vpon the removall of the Lord Chancellor *Bacon* who was displaced by the Parliament, in Lent the 18 yeare of King *Iames*. The keeping of the great Seale, was committed to *Henry*, *vicount Mandevile*, Lord President of the Councell, *Lodowicke* Duke of *Richmond*, and *Lenox*, Lord Steward of the Kings house, *William* Earle of *Pembroke*, Lord Chamberlaine of the Kings house, and Sir *Iulius Cæsar* Knight, Master of the Rols, who continued the custody thereof till *July* following.

John Williams, Doctor of Divinity, Deane of *Westminster*, and one of the Privy Counsell, and after that consecrated Bishop of *Lincolne*, was made Lord keeper of the great seale of *England*, the 10 day of *Iuly*, in the 19 yeare of King *James*.

Sir *Thomas Coventry* Knight, eldest sonne to S^r. *Thomas Coventry* Knight, one of the Iustices of the Common pleas, being the Kings Atturney Generall, was made Lord keeper of the great seale of *England*, the first day of *November*, in the first yeare of

of King *Charles*, and Created Baron *Coventry* of *Allesborough* in the County of *Worcester*, the 10 of *April*, in the 4 yeare of King *Charles*; whose exemplar vertues in the execution of this great office, to the honour of his Majestie, and the generall good of the Kingdome, I cannot mention without due Attributes, and fearing as I justly may, that I shall rather shew mine owne defects, than be able to set them forth in due characters; I shall with much security discharge my selfe in this kinde, by reciting the preamble of his Majesties Letters Patents, for Creating his Lordship into the dignity of a Baron and Peere of this Realme.

Rex &c. Archiepiscopis, Ducibus, &c. ad quos præsentes literæ provenerint Salutem. Officio & curæ Regali nihil magis arbitramur convenire, quam virtutum præmia viris illustribus ritè dispertire, ac illos Honoribus attollere qui de Rege & Republicâ optimè meruerunt: Perspicimus enim Coronam nostram Regiam quam plurimum honorari, & locupletari, cum viros cordatos Consilio, prudentiâ, virtutibus, illustres, ac

præsertim in administrandâ Justicia strenuos & insignes ad Honoris & dignitatis gradus vocamus & erigimus. Nos igitur in personâ prædilecti, & per quam fidelis Consiliary nostri Thomæ Coventry, Militis, Custodis Magni Sigilli nostri Angliæ, gratissima & dignissima servitia quæ idem Consiliarius noster tam præcharissimo Patri nostro Jacobo Regi beatæ memoriæ per multos annos, quam nobis ab ipsis Regni nostri primis auspicijs fidelissimè & prudentissimè præstitit & impendit, indiesq; impendere non desistit: Nec non circumspectionem, prudentiam, strenuitatem, dexteritatem, integritatem, industriam, constantiam, & fidelitatem ipsius Thomæ Coventry Militis, erga nos & Coronam nostrâ Animo benigno & Regali intimè recolentes pro gratiæ nostræ, erga præfatum Consiliarium pignore. Nec non virtutum & benemeritorum ejusdem encomio posteris suis relinquendum, ipsum, in Procerum hujus Regni nostri Angliæ numerum ascribendum decrevimus, Sciatis itaq; quod nos de gratia nostrâ speciali, ac ex certâ scientia & mero motu nostris præfatum Thomam Coventry Militem, ad statum, gradum, dignitatem & Honorem Baronis Coventry de Alesborough

rough, *in Comitatu noſtro* Wigornienſi *erexi-imus, perficimus, & creavimus. Ipſumq;* Thomam Coventry *Militem, Baronem* Coventry *de* Alesborough *prædicta tenore præſentium erigimus, perficimus, & creamus. In cujus rei &c.* T. R. *apud* Weſtm. *decimo die Aprilis, Anno Regni Regis* Caroli *quarto, per ipſum Regem.*

FINIS.

Cuſtodes Rotulorum.

23. *Ed.* 1. ADAM de Oſgodby *Clerke,*
10. *Ed.* 2. William Ayremyne *after Keeper of the great Seale.*
17. *Ed.* 2. Richard de Ayremyne.
20. *Ed.* 2. Henry de Clyffe *Clerke, after keeper of the great Seale died the 7 of King* Edward *the third.*
7. *Ed.* 3. Michael de Worth Ianuary 20.
11. *Ed.* 3. Iohn de *Saint* Paul Aprill 28.
14. *Ed.* 3. Thomas de Eveſham, *Tueſday after the feaſt of Circumciſion.*
36. *Ed.* 3. David de Wollere
45. *Ed.* 3. William Burſtall, Iuly 22.
1. *Rich.* 2. Iohn de Waltham *Clerke, after Biſhop of Salisbury.*
8. *Ri.* 2. Iohannes de Burton, *Clerke* Octo. 24
11. *Ri.* 2. Thomas Stanley *Clerke.*
13. *Ri.* 2. Iohn Scarle *or* Serle, *after keeper of the great Seale.*
1. *Hen.* 4. Nicholas Bubwith *Septem.* 24.

6. *Hen.* 4. Iohannes Wakering *Clerke, after keeper of the great Seale.*

3. *Hen.* 5 Simon Garnastead *Clerke* Iune 3.

2. *Hen.* 6 Iohannes Franke *Clerke* October 18

17. *Hen.* 6 Iohannes Stopinden *Clerke* Nov. 13

25. *Hen.* 6 Thomas Kirkby, *had the Reversion* March 29, *he was in* 28 *and* 33 H. 6.

1. *Ed.* 4. Robert de Kirkham *Clerk* December 23 *after Lord Chancellor.*

49. *Hen.* 6 William Morland *Clerke* Februa. 22

1. *Ed.* 1 4 Iohn Alcocke *Deane of the free Chappell at S.* Stevens *in* Westminster, Aprill 29, *after Lord Chancellor.*

12. *Ed.* 4, Iohn Morton, *Clerke, Doctor of Law*, March 16, *made Bishop of* Ely 18 *of* Edward 4, Ianuary 4, *after Lord Chancellor, and Archbishop of* Canterbury.

18. *Ed.* 4 Robert Morton *Clerke,*

7. *Hen.* 7 William Kliot.
Iohn Blithe *Clerke.*
Thomas Barow, *Doctor of Law, after keeper of the great Seale as some have it.*

9 *Hen.* 7 William Warham *Clerke, after Lord Chancellor, and Archbishop of* Canterbury.

William

17 *Hen.* 7 William Barow *Doctor of Law, mentioned in the Glaſſe window, in the Chappell of the Rolles, 1503.*

20 *Hen.* 7 Chriſtopher Bainbrig *Clerke*, No. 15

1 *Hen.* 8. Iohn young *Clerke*, Ianuary 12.

8 *Hen.* 8. Cuthbert Tunſtall *Clerke, after Biſhop of* Dureſme, March 12,

14 *Hen.* 8 Iohn Clerke *Clerke*, October 20,

15 *Hen.* 8 Thomas Hanniball *Clerke*, Octo. 19

19 *Hen.* 8 Iohn Taylor *Clerke*, Octo ber 19.

26 *Hen.* 8 Thomas Cromwell *Eſquire after created Earle of Eſſex, &c.* October 6

28 *Hen.* 8 Chriſtopher Hales *Eſquire, after Knighted*, Iune 10,

33 *Hen.* 8 Robert Suthwell *Eſquire*, Iuly 1,

4 *Edw.* 6 Iohn Beaumont *Eſquire*, Decem. 13.

6. *Edw.* 6 Robert Bowes *Knight*, Iune 16.

1 *M.* Q. Nicholas Hare *Knight*, September 18, *keeper of the great Seale.*

4 & 5 *Phi.* & *M.* William Cordell *Knight*, Novem. 5,

23 *Eli.* Q. Gilbert Gerard *Knight.*

Thomas Egerton *Knight, after keepet of the great Seale, and Lord Chancellor.*

Edward Bruce, *Lord* Kinloſſe.

Thomas Phillips *Knight, Serjant at Law.*

Iulius

Custodes Rotulorum.

Iulius Cæsar *Knight, Chancellor of the Kings Exchecker, which place he left when he was Master of the Rolles.*

Dudley Digges, *of* Chilham *Castle, in the County of* Kent, *Knight.* 1636.

FINIS.

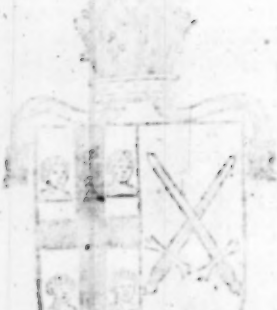
Honoratiſſimo & Reverendiſſimo Dom. in Chriſto Patri, Dr. Guilielmo Iuxon, *Speciali Dietatis providentia Præſuli* Londinenſi *Totius* Angliæ *Archithe-ſaurario. Et è Secretioribus regiis Arcanis Conciliario.*

Pientiſſimo virtutis Aſſertori, ſtrenuo politioris literaturæ vindici & Religionis ſynceræ, propugnatori Acerrimo.

Ioh. Philipot *Fecialis Regius a Provincia* Sommerſettenſi *Denominatus.*

Dignitatis veſtræ cultor humillimus Hanc Theſuriorum Seriem

DICIT, DEDICAT, CONSECRAT.



A CATALOGVE OF THE LORD TREASVRERS OF *ENGLAND*.

Vnſtane, Archbiſhop of *Canterbury* was Treaſurer to *Eadred* or *Eldred* King of *England*, who began his raigne in the yeare nine hundred forty and ſixe, of whom thus writeth *Matt. Parker*, in his booke of the Archbiſhops of *Canterbury*, in the life of *Odo Severus* the two and twentieth Biſhop of that ſee. *Edmundo* (the King of *England*) *defuncto. Eadredus corona regia ab Odone redimitus, & rem publicam adminiſtrans, Dunſtanum* (*ut in ejus vita patebit*) *tam ſingulari amore proſequutus eſt, ut omnes regni theſauros illius cuſtodiæ commendaret.* This man was canonized a Saint, and the *Goldſmiths* of *London* are incorporated into the Society and fellwoſhip of Saint *Dunſtan*.

Hugolme, was Treaſurer and Chamberlaine to *Edward* the Confeſſor, hee gave *Deane* and *Southbright* to *Weſtminſter*, which *Edward* the Confeſſor did afterward confirme to that houſe.

Odo, halfe brother to *William* the Conqueror Earle of *Kent*, Biſhop of *Baieux* and chiefe Iuſtice of *England* was Treaſurer in the time of the Conqueror, who had at his death; as ſaith *Anonymus*. *M. S.* Sixtie Thouſand Pounds. *Excepto auro & gemmis, & vaſis, & Paliis.*

Geofry Clinton, Treaſurer and Chamberline to *Henry* the firſt: Hee about the thirteenth yeare of *Henry* the firſt, in the yeare of our Lord One Thouſand one Hundred and Twelve, did found the Priory of *Kenelworth*, and was after accuſed of treaſon, in the one and thirtieth yeare of the raigne of the ſaid *Henry* the firſt; but (as it ſeemed) reſtored (in ſhort time after) to the Kings favour.

Rainulph, Biſhop of *Durham*, was Treaſurer to the King, whom *Florenſius Wygornienſis* calleth *Præcipuum Regis placitatorem, & Regni exactorem*, whoſe laſt word, *Exactor*, ſome men doe engliſh Treaſurer. Of this man is more ſaid in the Chancellors of *England*.

Roger, Biſhop of *Sarisbury*, Treaſurer and Chanceller of *England*, as appeareth by *Leland*, writing in this ſort, *Roger* Biſhop of *Sarum* Treaſurer and Chancellor to *Henry* the firſt, made the Caſtle of *Vies* ſuch a coſtly, and ſo ſtrong a fort as was never before nor ſince ſet up by any Biſhop of *England*. The Keepe or Dungeon of it ſet upon a hill caſt by hand, is a peece of worke of incredible coſt. Beſides

ſides which to prove the ſame *Roger* Treaſurer at the later end of the Raigne of *Henry* the firſt, together with *William de Pontlearch* at the entring of King *Stephen* into *England*: Thus writeth one, *Anonymall chroniele. M. S. Stephanus cum intravit Angliam, Rogerum Sarisburienſem & Willielmum de Pontlearijs Cuſtodes Theſaurorum ad ſe traduxit.* Which *William de Pontlearch* was a witneſſe with *William Stigill* to a certaine Charter which *Ranulph* Biſhop of *Durham* made to the Monkes of *Durham* commonly called S. *Cuthberts Monkes*, wherein he confirmed to them *Blakeſtone*, *Standropp*, and *Sandropſhire*, with the wood of *Hepworth*, on the Eaſt part of *Mareburne*, as farre as it goeth to the Sea. This *Roger* Biſhop of *Salisbury* died in the yeere of our redemption One Thouſand one Hundred Thirtie and Nine, being about the fourth yeare of King *Stephen*, of whom, mention is made in the Chancellers of *England*.

Nigellus, the ſecond Biſhop of *Elye*, Nephew to *Roger* Biſhop of *Sarum*, and Treaſurer to *Henry* the firſt, was advanced unto that Biſhoppricke of *Elie*, in the yeere of our redemption One Thouſand one Hundred Thirtie and Three, the firſt Calends of *June*, being the Three and Thirtieth yeere of the raigne of *Henry* the firſt, at whoſe going downe to be inſtalled in the ſaid Biſhoppricke, hee was received with ſuch joy, that all the whole ſtreet of *Ely*, through which hee ſhould paſſe, was hanged with curtaines and carpets, with ſeates ſet on each ſide, and the Monkes Cannons, and Clerkes meeting him with proceſſion with divers other Prieſts ſtanding

ding round about them. After his installation he returned to the dispatche of the affaires of the Kingdome, committing the charge of his Bishoppricke to one *Ralph*, sometime a Moonke of *Glastenbury*, and now become an Apostata. Great contention was betweene this man and King *Stephen*. Hee bought the Treasurership for the Summe of Foure Hundred Markes of *Henry* the second for his sonne *Richard filius Nigelli*, or *Fitz Neale*, otherwise called *Richard* of *Ely*. He governed the Bishoppricke Sixe and Thirty yeeres, as some say, and builded Saint *Iohns* Colledge in *Cambridge*. *Trivet* affirmeth that he died in the yeere of Christ One Thousand One Hundred Sixty and Nine, and the Fifteenth of King *Henry* the second, after that he had governed Sixe and Thirty yeares, he was honorably buried in the Church of Saint *Ethelred* of *Elie*, before the Altar dedicated to the Holy Crosse.

Richard of *Elie*, or *Fitz Neale* sonne of the said *Nigellus* Bishop of *Elie*, was made Treasurer to King *Henry* the second, by the purchase of his father *Nigellus* when the King went to the warres of *Tolous*. Of whom the Historie of *Elie* writeth: That after the buriall of *Nigellus* his Father, this *Richard* being also an enemy of the Church of *Elie*, as his father had beene before, made haste to passe over the Seas to King *Henry* the second, fearing that some evill would be prepared against him, if the Church should have sent any other thither before him. At whose comming to the King, he accused the Monkes of many things, and did therewith so edge the King against them, that the King sen-

ſending into *England*, charged by *Wunndrus*, one of his Chaplens, that the Prior of *Elie* ſhould bee depoſed, and the Moonkes with all their goods to be proſcribed & baniſhed. This man being Treaſurer to King *Henry* the ſecond, the Treaſure of the ſaid *Henry* the ſecond at his death came unto One Hundred Thouſand Markes, notwithſtanding the exceſſive charges of the King many waies. Which *Richard* being Biſhop of *London*, by the name of *Richard* the Third, and the Kings Treaſurer was choſen to that See, in the yeare of our redemption, One Thouſand Eightie and Nine, beeing the firſt yeere of King *Richard* the firſt, and was conſecrated Biſhop at *Lambeth*, by *Baldwine* Archbiſhop of *Canterbury* in the yeare of Chriſt 1190. He died the fourth Ides of *September*, in the yeare of grace 1198. being the Ninth yeere of King *Richard* the firſt.

William of *Elie*, being of kinne to the laſt *Richard* Biſhop of *London*, was Treaſurer to King *Richard* the firſt, and to King *Iohn*. To which *William* then Treaſurer, *Richard* his kinſman, the Biſhop of *London An. Do.* 1196. being the ſeventh yeere of the raigne of *Richard* the firſt, and the ſaid number of yeares of the governement of the ſaid *Richard* in the Biſhoppricke of *London*, did give all his houſes in *Weſtminſter*, which the ſaid *William* did long after give to the Abbat, and Moonkes of *Weſtminſter*, as by the Charter thereof appeares, in this ſort abridged.

Vniverſis Chriſti fidelibus, ad quos præſens ſcriptum pervenerit. Gulielmus de Elie quondam Regum Angliæ

Anglia Theſaurarius ſalutem. Noverit univerſitas veſtra me dediſſe, &c. Deo & Monachis Weſtminſter, &c. pro animabus Richardi & Iohannis Regum Angliæ & pro anima Richardi Londen Epiſcopi, &c. Domos meas & curiam cum pertinentibus in villa Weſtminſter, &c. quas habui ex dono Richardi Epiſcopi London, & quæ ſunt de feodo Weſtminſter, &c. Teſtis Euſtachius Faucenbridge Domini Regis Theſaurarius, &c. He dyed in the yeare of Chriſt One Thouſand Two Hundred Twenty Two, being the Sixt yeare of the long reigne of King *Henry* the Third: As noteth *Matthew Paris* and *Weſtminſter*, who write that t hen. *Obiit Gulielmus Eltenſis Angliæ Theſaurarius.*

A Deane of *Pauls* was Treaſurer to the King as appeares by *Matthew Parker* in the life of *Hubert* Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, writing after this manner. *Eodem tempore* (which was a time between the creating of *Hubert* Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, in the yeere of Chriſt 1194. being the ſixt yeere of *Richard* the firſt, and the death of the ſaid *Richard* the firſt, which fell in the yeare of Chriſt 1199. *Eccleſiæ Paulinæ Decanus ærarii regi cuſtos fuit, ſive (ut vocant) Theſaurarius*, and ſo goeth on with a diſcourſe of his miſerable death.

Walter Gray, Biſhop of *Worceſter* whom ſome call Treaſurer in the Eleventh of King *Iohn*.

Geffery, Archdeacon of *Norwich* Treaſurer to King *Iohn*, who forſooke his Maſter the King beeing excommunicated by the Pope, as writeth *Matthew Parker* in the life of *Stephen Langton* Archbiſhop

biſhop of *Canterbury*, in theſe following words. *Inter quos* (meaning the Biſhops, which durſt not openly publiſh the excommunication of the King, but ſecretly caſt libels about the high waies, which gave notice thereof) *quum ad fiſcum Regium Gaufridus Norwicenſis Archidiaconus negotijs regijs intendens ſedißet, cœpit aſſidentibus exponere excommunicationis ſententiam in Regem jam latam, affirmavitq́, non eſſe tutum, Capellanis & Eccleſiaſticis dignitatibus, beneficijſq́, affectis ſervire Regi amplius. Ideoq́, aulam deſerens, ad Eccleſiaſtica beneficia (quæ Regis ſervitio acquiſierat) ſeceſſit. Rex hunc tam proditorie a ſe deficientem, per Willielmum Talbot, Militem prehendi, & ad ſe reduci fecit, eumq́, in publica cuſtodia ſervatum, (donec ſive pœna ſive conſcientiæ tædio pertæſus vitæ fuit & expiravit) detinuit*, whoſe manner of death is in this ſort ſet downe by *Mat. Paris*, Pag. 305. that he was committed to priſon, *Vbi poſt dies paucos Rege præfato* (which was King *Iohn*) *jubente capa indutus plumbea, tam victualium penuria, quam ipſius capæ ponderoſitate compreſſus, migravit ad dominum.* Much about this time (as I ſuppoſe) which was *An. Do.* 1209. being about the Eleventh yeere of King *Iohn*, the Chequer was by the King removed from *London* to *Northampton*, (in hatred of the *Londoners*) untill Chriſtmas.

Iohn Rüthall, Cuſtos Officij Theſaurarij, as is proved out of the Records of the Exchequer, had that office the third yeere of *Henry* the third, in the yeare 1219.

Euſtachius de Fauconbridge, a Iuſtice to receive Fines,

ſines, Chanceller of the Exchequer, and Treaſurer to *Henry* the Third, was by the Biſhop of *Rocheſter* conſecrated Biſhop of *London* in *An. Do.* 1221. being the fifth yeare of King *Henry* the Third: which *Euſtachius* in the yeere 1222. with the Deane and Chapiter of *London* had great ſuites againſt *William Abbat* of *Weſtminſter*, he was Treaſurer in the third yeere of King *Henry* the third, being about *An. Do.* 1219. he died the day before the Kalends of *November* in *An. Dom.* 1228. being the 13. of King *Henry* the third, and is buried on the ſouth ſide of the Queere of *Pauls* (beſides *Henry Wengham*) under a faire Monument of Marble, over whom on the wall is this inſcription. *Hic jacet Euſtachius de Fauconbridge quondam Epiſcopus hujus Eccleſiæ, qui multa bona contulit miniſtris eccleſiæ ſancti Pauli.*

Iohannes de Fontibus, or *Iohn deſontnes* was Biſhop of *Elie*, and Treaſurer in the Ninth and Eleventh yeares of King *Henry* the Third, and before (as I take it) this man being Abbat of *Fontnes*, and (as authors ſay) *Vir ſimplex & juſtus, ac recedens a malo*, was at *Weſtminſter* made Biſhop of *Elie*, in *An. Dom.* 1220. hee died after that hee had beene Biſhop five yeeres and odde monethes in *An. Do.* 1225. being the Ninth yeare of *Henry* the Third, and was buried in the Church of *Elie*, toward the Altar of Saint *Andrew*.

Walter Malclarke, or *Lacke latine*; Treaſurer of *England*, was made Biſhop of *Carleil* in *An. Dom.* 1223. being about the ſeventh yeare of *Henry* the third, who in *An. Dom.* 1233. being the ſeventeenth

teenth of the ſaid King, was by the counſell of *Peter de Laroches* Biſhop of *Wincheſter* not onely removed from his office of Treaſurerſhip, but alſo put to the fine of 100. markes, which he paid with the loſſe of certaine holdes, given him by Charter during his life: After which hee would have fled beyond the Seas, but entring the Shippe at *Dover*, hee and all his were ſtaid, and evilly intreated by the Kings ſervants. This man in *An. Do.* 1246. being the 30. yeare of *Henry* the Third, did on the day of *Peter* and *Paul* at *Oxenford*, enter into the habit of the Fryer preachers: After which in *An. Dom.* 1248. being about the 32. of *Henry* the Third, he ſurrendred his ſoule to God.

Ranulph Briton, by ſome is made Treaſurer of *England*, but untruely (as I ſuppoſe) for in truth, he was but Treaſurer of the chamber, for any thing I can learne, and removed from that place in the ſixteenth yeare of King *Henry* the third, in *An. Do.* 1232. in whoſe place came, *Peter de Rivall*. Of this *Ranulph* is mention had in the Chancellers. Beſides which, about this time I reade, that *Hubert de Burgo* was Treaſurer, for thus writeth *Iohannes Londonienſis. Rex* (about *An. Dom.* 1232.) *fecit ipſum* (which was *Hubert de Burgo*) *ſuum Inſtitiarium principalem totius Angliæ, & poſtea Theſaurarium.*

Peter de Oriall, in Latine called *Petrus de Rivallis* was Treaſurer of the Chamber, and Treaſurer of the King, Chamberline of *England* and *Ireland*, Guardian of all the Forreſts of *England*, of all the Eſcheats, of all the Ports of the ſea, and of all the

Priſes of *England* and *Ireland*, being ſo deare to the King, (as ſaith *Matthew Weſtminſter*) that *Expulſis caſtrorum cuſtodibus per totam ferè Angliam, Rex omnia ſub ipſius Petri cuſtodia commendarat.* This man was made Treaſurer after *Walter Malclarke* in *An. Do.* 1233. being about the 17. yeare of King *Henry* the third, and in the 18. yeare of King *Henry* the third, who as I gather was together with *Peter* Biſhop of *Weſtminſter*, *Stephen de Segrave*, and *Robert Parſlew*, called to accounts in *An. Dom.* 1234. for the Kings treaſure and ſeale evilly imployed and kept, whereupon *Peter de Revallis* hid himſelfe in the Cathedrall Church of *Wincheſter*, which *Peter* Biſhop of *Wincheſter* and *Peter de Rivallis*, the King removed by the perſwaſion of *Edmund* of *Abindon* Biſhop of *Canterbury*, as they before had removed *Walter Malclarke*. After which it ſeemeth, that growing in o favour againe, this *Petrus de Rivalis*, was in *An. Dom.* 1257. being the 41. of King *Henry* the third, made Treaſurer of the Chamber; For thus writeth *Matthew Paris. Circa feſtum ſancti Michaelis*, which in *An. Dom.* 1257. *Mortuo Hurtaldo Domini Regis conſiliario & clerico ſpeciali, ac Theſaurario de camera Regis, ſubrogatur Petrus de Rivallis*; Vnder this *Peter de Rivallis* did *Robert Paſſelew* keepe the Kings Treaſure; Touching which *Robert Paſſelew* writeth *Matthew Parker. Quo etiam tempore*, (which was in *An. Dom.* 1244. being about the 18. yeare of King *Henry* the third) *Robertus de Paſſelew qui in theſauris regiis cuſtodiendis & augendis totus verſatus eſt, cognomine Regi charus, ab Eccleſiæ Cathedralis*

thedralis Ciceſtrenſis canonicis, qui Regi placere ſtuduerant, Ciceſtrenſis Epiſcopus electus eſt. Quod Bonifacius Cantuarienſis Archiepiſcopus indigne tulit, & Epiſcopis provincia ſua convocatis, in difficillimis quibuſdam & nodoſis quaſtionibus per Lincolnienſem Epiſcopum compoſitis ſerio examinavit, deinde electione reſciſſa hunc Robertum repulit, & Richardum quendam de Wiz. loco ſuo, (inconſulto Rege) ſubſtituit. Next writeth *Matthew Weſtminſter*, that in *An. Dom.* 1233. being the 17. of *Henry* the third, the Nobility accuſed many of the Kings Counſellors, amongſt whom they placed, *Robertum Paßelew Theſaurarium.* Againe, a little after he ſaith, *Et ſic abſondit ſe iterum Robertus Paſſelew, qui poſt Walterũ Carleolenſem officium theſaurarij adminiſtraverat.* Of whoſe death *Matthew Paris* writeth thus; *Eodem quoq; anno*, wch was 1252. being the 35. yeare of *Henry* the third, *Octavo Idus Iunij, obijt apud Waltham Robertus Paſſelew, archidiaconus Lewis.*

Hugh Pateſhall, Treaſurer of the Exchequer, which was Treaſurer of the greene wax, or of the Seale, was alſo treaſurer to the King in the 18. and 19. yeares of his raigne, and after made Iuſtice of all *England*, as *Matthew Paris* hath ſet downe in theſe words. *Rex autem fretus conſilio ſaniori* (in *An. Dom.* 1234. being the 18. yeare of *Henry* the third) *Hugonem de Pateſhall clericum filium videlicet Simonis de Pateſhall, qui quandoq; habenas moderabatur totius regni Iuſtitiarij, virum fidelem & honeſtum, loco prædictorum*, which were *Stephen Segrave*, chiefe Iuſtice of *England*, and *Peter de Rivallis* Treaſurer) *ſubrogavit* (*Adminiſtraverat enim idem*

Hugo officium Scaccarij antea laudabiliter, ſecundum quod appellatur ſecretum ſigillum cuſtodiendo, & definitam pecuniam a vicecomitibus recipiendo, quare plenior fides eſt ei adhibita, paterna fidelitate teſtimonium fidei perhibente. Hee was confirmed Biſhop of *Coventry* in *An. Dom.* 1240. being the 24. yeare of *Henry* the third, (who having beene the Kings Treaſurer before did now with great ſolemnity take his leave of the Barons of the Exchequer with teares, and they all roſe up and kiſſed him. Of whoſe election (in *An. Dom.* 1230.) to that Biſhopricke, thus further writeth the ſaid *Matthew* touching the Moonkes of *Coventry*. *Eligerunt ſecundum prædictam formam dominum Hugonem de Pateſhall. &c. canonicum ſancti Pauli London, & domini Regis Cancellarium in Epiſcopum, & cuſtodem animarum ſuarum.* Concerning whom I collected this note out of the Regiſter of *Weſtminſter*, that *Phillip Coleville* Knight the ſonne of *William Coleville*, the ſonne of *Agnes Foliot* gave to *Richard Abbat* of *Weſtminſter*, all his part of the inheritance which was *Robert Foliots*, brother to the ſaid *Agnes*, in *London*, *Mortan*, and *Chalneie*, witneſſes *Raph* Biſhop of *Chicheſter*, Chanceller, and *Hugh Pateſhall* Treaſurer in the 19. of the reigne of *Henry* the third, which *Pateſhall Matthew Weſtminſter* in the yeare of grace 1234. calleth *Summum theſaurarium*

Galfridus Templarius, whom ſome will have Treaſurer, but this man is more ſpoken of amongſt the Chancellors.

William Haverhull, a Cannon of *Pauls* Church in

in *London* was made Treaſurer to King *Henry* the third, in *An. Dom.* 1240. being the 24. yeare of the raigne of the ſaid King *Henry*, in which place he continued in the 28. yeare of the raigne of King *Henry* the third, being in *An. Do.* 1244 he dyed at *London* in *An.* 1252. being the 36. yeare of the raigne of King *Henry* the third, as ſaith the addition to *Matthew Paris*, fol. 1128. After which the ſaid Author, fol. 1226. laied his death in the yeare 1256. being the 39. yeare of King *Henry* the third, ſuch error is crept into Hiſtories by the negligence of the tranſcriber, but I ſuppoſe the firſt note of his death to bee the truer, becauſe the ſame is confirmed by *Matthew Weſt.* ſpeaking in the ſaid yeare 1252. of the death of this man, for whoſe Epitaph, theſe following verſes were made.

Hic jacet Haverhulle jaces protothesaurarie Regis,
Hinc Haverhulle gemis non Paritura talem
Ferculaculta dabas, empyrea vina pluebas
A modo ſit Chriſtus, cibus & eſca tibi.

I have alſo read a note of one *William Haverhull*, (which might be this man) which ſaith that *William Haverhull*, the ſonne of *Brithmarus de Haverhull*, gave houſes in *Cheapeſide* to the Abby of *Weſtminſter*, and that one *Thomas de Haverhull*, was the ſonne and heire of *William Haverhull*.

Richard de Barking, Abbat of *Weſtminſter*, as witneſſeth the lives of the Abbats, was one ſpeciall Counceller to *Henry* the third, Chiefe Baron of the Exchequer, and Treaſurer of *England* who I ſuppoſe did follow *William Haverhull*, for his

death which happened on the 23. day of *November* in the 30. yeare of King *Henry* the third, in *An. Dom.* 1246. after that he had beene Abbat 24. yeares, muſt needes prove him to be Treaſurer before *Phillip Lovell*, yea and peradventure, (which is moſt likely) before *Hugh Pateſhall*, yet *Matthew Paris* ſpeaking of the death of *Haverhulla*, wil needs have *Phillip Lovel* to ſucceed *William Haverhul*, as after ſhall appeare. This *Richard de Barking* was buried in *Weſtminſter* Church, before the middle of the Altar, in our Ladies Chappell in a tombe of Marble, which after in the time of *William Colechester* Abbat of that place, was pulled downe by Fryer *Combe*, a ſacriſt of that houſe of *Weſtminſter*, who laid a faire plaine Marble ſtone over him, with this preſent Epitaph thus inſcribed.

Richardus Barking prior & poſt inclitus Abbas
Henrici Regis, prudens fuit ille miniſter
Hujus erat prima laus, inſula rebus opima
Altera laus eque Thorp, cenſus, Ocham decimaq;
Tertia Mortone caſtrum, ſimili ratione
Et regis quarta de multis commoda charta
Clementis feſto mundo migravit ab iſto
M. Domini C. bis xl. ſextoq; ſub anno
Cui detur venia parte pia vergo Maria.

Philip Luvell or *Lovell* was in this order advanced to the office of Treaſurer, as appeareth by the words of *Matthew Paris* upon the death of *William Haverhull*. *Et cum crederetur quod Dominus Rex Iohannem Franciſcum officio Wilhelmi*, (which was *Haverhull*) *ſubrogaret, fabricatis rumoribus, quod*

idem

idem Iohannes in partibus remotis Angliæ Borealibus, (ut contra quoſdam religioſos plantaverat) obiiſſet, conſtituit Dominus Rex Philippum Lovell clericum virum prudentem, fœcundum, & generoſum in loco memorati Wilielmi, ſuum theſaurarium, quod factum eſt apud ſanctum Albanum, procurante (ut dicitur) Iohanne Manſell amico Philippi ſpeciali. This man was Treaſurer in the 35. and ſo untill the 42. yeare of *Henry* the third, and was in the ſame yeare depoſed by the Barons, Hee dyed at *Hameſley* in *An. Dom.* 1259. whoſe executors were *Philip Lovell*, and *Robert de Mercenton.* But his goods after his death, the King commanded to beconfiſcate. *Matthew Paris* and *Matthew Weſtminſter*, mention who were the Queenes Treaſurers about that time, thus *Obijt & Walterus de Brudell ejuſdem Reginæ theſaurarius*, which hee placeth in *An. Dom.* 1255. being the 39. yeare of King *Henry* the third. Of the ſecond perſon *Chaceporc* thus writeth *Matthew Weſt.* in *An. Dom.* 1254. *Veniens autem Rex ad mare, nec ventum habens proſperum apud Boloniam moratus eſt invitus, ubi obijt Petrus Chaceporc, natione Pictavenſis, Reginæ theſaurarius & Regis clericus & conſiliarius ſpecialis.* Theſe two Treaſurers of the Queenes, are ſuppoſed by ſome, (but not rightly) to have beene the Kings Treaſurers.

Iohn Crackhall, Archdeacon of *Bedford* was Treaſurer in 42, 43, 44. yeares of *Henry* the third, to whom the King in the 44. of his raigne, being in An. Dom. 1260. gave a Prebendary, wherein being inveſted, he was from thence removed by

a former collatiõ therof made to one *Iohn Le Gras*. The ſame *Crackhall* after died the ſame yeare at *London*.

Iohn Abbot of *Peterborough* was by the Barons in the 44. yeare of *Henry* the third made Treaſurer as the other Officers of the King alſo were. *Nicholas* of *Ely* was then made Chanceller, and *Hugh de Spencer* chiefe Iuſtice, which Office of Treaſurerſhip this *Iohn* continued in the 46. yeare of *Henry* the third, 1262.

Nicholas de Elie ſo called, becauſe he was Archdeacon of *Elie*, was Treaſurer to the King in the 47. of *Henry* the third, being the yeare of our Lord 1263. whereof I have ſeene this note of Record. *Memorandum quod in Craſtino Paſchæ.* Anno 47. *Hen. Regis* 3. *in præſentia Rogeri le Bigot Comite Norfolke & Mareſchalli Angliæ. Hugo le Bigot, Arnoldi de Berkeley Baronis de ſcaccario magiſtri, Iohannis de Chiſull Cancellar. regis, &c. recepit Magiſter Nicholaus archidiaconus Elienſis Theſaurarius, ſubſcripta in Theſauraria domini regis, &c.* This man as before appeareth, had beene Chanceller, of whom is mention made in the catalogue of the Chancellers.

Thomas Wimundham: This man being chiefe Chanter of *Lichfield*, was by the Barons in *An. Dom.* 1258. in the 41. yeare of King *Henry* the third, made Treaſurer (at the Exchequer) at the Seale or place where the Writts be ſealed with greene waxe, after which hee was Treaſurer to the King in the 50, 51, and 52. yeares of King *Henry* the third.

Iohn

Iohn Chiſull ſometime Chanceller, was Treaſurer in the 54. yeare of *Henry* the third, being about *An. Dom.* 1269. He was Deane of *Pauls*, choſen Biſhop of *London* in *An. Dom.* 1273. and conſecrate to that place in the yeare of Chriſt, 1274. in which place he continued about five yeares, and died in *An. Dom.* 1279. being in the ſeventh yeare of the raigne of the victorious Prince, King *Edward* the firſt of that name. See more of this *Chiſull* in the Chancellors.

Phillip de Elie was treaſurer as appeareth by the Records of the Exchequer, in the 56. yeare of King *Henry* the third; and in the firſt yeare of King *Edward* the firſt, partly falling in the yeare 1272. and 1273.

Ioſeph de Chancy, whom on anomynall author calleth *Iohn Chancy*, but not rightly, as I ſuppoſe, was Treaſurer in the ſecond yeare of King *Edward* the firſt, being in *An. Dom.* 1274.

William Gifford, Biſhop of *Bathe* and *Welles*, was Treaſurer to *Edward* the firſt, hee was removed to *Yorke*, in *An. Dom.* 1275. This man is by many Chronicles and that perhaps moſt truely called *Walter Gifford*; He dyed in the 7. yeare of King *Edward* the firſt, being *An. Dom.* 1279. as hath *Nicholas Trivet* Of this man ſee more in the Chancellers of *England*.

Robert Burnell, Biſhop of *Bathe* and *Welles*, Chanceller of *England*, and Treaſurer to King *Edward*

the first, is by the Welsh-history, pag. 328. called chiefe Iustice of *England*. *Leland* reporteth that an Abbat told him, how that a Bishop *Burnell* built the Castle of *Acton Burnell*: Of this man more is spoken in the Chancellors of *England*.

Ioseph de Chancy, the second time Treasurer to King *Edward* the first, in the sixth yeare of the said King in *An. Dom.* 1278. was also Prior of Saint *Iohns* of *Ierusalem* in *Anglia* as I take it, and by another name called the Lord of Saint *Iohns*, or of the Knights of the Rhodes in *England*.

Thomas Becke, Archdeacon of *Dorcester* was Treasurer in the seventh yeare of *Edward* the first, in *An. Dom.* 1278. as some have, but 1279. as other have, by the witnesse of *Leland*, out of a Moonke of *Glastenbury* in his booke *De assertione Arthuri*, reciting the words of the said Moonke in this sort. *An. Dom.* 1267. *Edwardus Rex Henrici Tertij filius venit cum Regina sua Glasconiam. Die vero Martis proxima sequenti, fuit Rex & tota Curia accepta sumptibus Monasterij. Quo die in crepusculo fecit apperiri sepulcrum inclyti Arthuri, ubi in duabus cistis imaginibus & armis eorũ depictis, ossa dicti Regis mirae grossitudinis separata invenit, Imago quidem Reginae coronata, imaginis regiae corona fuit prostrata, cum abscisi one sinistrae auriculae, & vestigijs plagae unde moriebatur. Inventa est scriptura superbis singulis manifesta. Incrastino, viz. Die Mercurij Rex ossa regis, Regina ossa reginae, pallijs pretiosis revoluta, in suis cistis recludentes, & sigilla*

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ſua apponentes, præceperunt idem ſepulchrum ante majus altare celeriter collocari, retentis externis capitibus, propter populi devotionem, appoſita hujuſmodi ſcriptura. Hæc ſunt oſſa nobiliſſimi Regis Arthuri quæ Anno Dominicæ incarnationis 1278. *decimo tertio Calendas Maij per Dominum Edvardum Regem Angliæ illuſtrem hic fuerunt ſic collocata, præſentibus Leonora ſereniſſima ejuſdem Regis conſorte, & filia Domini Ferandi Regis Hiſpaniæ, Magiſtro VVilliam de Middleton nunc Norwicenſi electo, Magiſtro Thoma de Becke Archidiacono Dorſitenſi, & prædicti regis Theſaurario, Domino Henrico & Laſcia Comite Lincolniæ, Domino Amideo comite Subaudiæ, & multis magnatibus Angliæ.* Thus farre the Moonke of *Glaſtenbury.*

Richard Warren or *de Ware*, Abbat of *Weſtminſter* was made Abbat about *An. Do.* 1260. being about the 44. yeare of *Henry* the third, who was made Treaſurer as hath *Iohn de Everſden*, *An. Dom.* 1280. being the 8. yeare of *Edward* the firſt, which yeare 1280. ſome doe falſely make to fall in 10. ſome in 11. of *Edward* the firſt, which contrariety hath onely riſen by the default of the tranſcriber. But moſt certaine it is, that he was Treaſurer in the 9. 11. and part of 12. of the ſaid *Edward* the firſt. This man going to *Rome* for his conſecration brought from thence certaine workemen and rich purphury ſtones whereof and by whom hee made that rare pavement containing a diſcourſe of the whole world, which is at this day moſt beautifull, and to be ſeene at *Weſtminſter* before the commu-

nion table, a thing of that ſingularity, curiouſneſſe, and rareneſſe, that *England* hath not the like againe, in which pavement are circularly written in letters of braſſe, theſe Ten verſes following.

Si lector poſita prudenter cuncta revolvat
Hinc finem primi, mobilis inveniet
Sepes trina canes & equos, homines ſuper addas
Cervos & corvos, aquilas immania cete
Mundum quodq; ſequens præuntis triplicat annos
Sphericus archetypum globum hic monſtrat micro-
Chriſti milleno, bis centeno duodeno (*coſmum*
Cum ſexageno ſubductis quatuor anno
Tertius Henricus, Rex, urbs Odoricus & abbas
Hos compegere purphyreos lapides.

Which Abbot with thoſe workemen, and thoſe ſtones did alſo frame the ſhrine of *Edward* the Confeſſor, with theſe verſes carved out of ſtone and alſo guilded ſet about the ſame Shrine or Monument.

Anno millene Domini cum Septuageno
Et bis centeno, cum completo quaſi deno
Hoc opus eſt factum, quod Petrus duxit in actum
Romanus civis, Homo, cauſam noſcere ſi vis
Rex fuit Henricus, ſancti præſentis amicus.

This Abbat died the ſecond day of *December* in *An. Dom.* 1283. being the 12. of *Edward* the firſt, after that hee had governed the Monaſtery 23. yeares and more, and was buried there at *Weſtminſter* in the aforeſaid plaine pavement of Purphury

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on the North ſide neere unto the Tombe (as is yet well to be ſeene) of *Odomer* or *Aimer de Valence* Earle of *Pembrooke*, on which grave is ingraven this briefe *Epitaph* here inſuing.

Abbas Richardus de Wara qui requieſcit
Hic portas lapides, quos hic portavit ab urbe.

Walter Wenlocke Abbat of *Weſtm.* whom *Matthew Weſtm* calleth *William de Wenlock*, was made Abbath of *Weſtminſter* after the death of *Richard de Ware*, and was Treaſurer to King *Edward* the firſt, as hath the Regiſter of the lives of the Abbat of *Weſtminſter* and other records that I have ſeene. Which office it ſeemeth hee had meane time betweene the 12. and 14. yeares of *Edward* the firſt, as I ſuppoſe. This man after that he had beene Abbat 26. yeares lacking ſixe dayes, died the 25. day of *December* on the Chriſtmas day at night in his mannor of *Piriford* in *Glouceſterſhire* in the firſt yeare of *Edward*, the ſon of *Edward* (which was *Edward* the ſecond in *An. Do.* 1307. and was buried in the Church of *Weſtminſter* beſides the high Altar then ſtanding without the South dore of Saint *Edwards* Shrine before the Presbiterie there under a plaine pavement, & a Marble ſtone decently adorned with this Epitaph to his high commendation.

Abbas Walterus jacet hic ſub marmore teſtus
Non fuit Auſterus, ſed mitis, ſumine rectus.

A Biſhop of *Coventrie* and *Lichfield* was Treaſurer

ſurer of *England* in the 14. yeare of *Edward* the firſt, being *An. Dom.* 1286. in whoſe place the ſame yeare came *Iohn Kerkbie*.

Iohn Kerkbie Deane of *Winburne* and Archdeacon of *Coventrie* and Treaſurer to King *Edward* the firſt, was on the ſeventh Kalends of *Auguſt* in *An. Do.* 1286. being the 14. yeare of the ſaid *Edward*; (then at *Paris*) made Biſhop of *Elye*, whom *Leland* the Refiner of all names doth in his Comment vpon his ſong of the Swan, in the word *Winchelſega*, thus terme *Iohannes Chirchebius Epiſcopus Anguillarinus Regi a theſauris*. This man was Treaſurer in the 16, 17, and part of 18, of *Edward* the firſt, in which yeare (as it ſeemeth) being part of *An. Do.* 1290. This Biſhop died the 7. Kalends of Aprill, after that hee had beene Biſhop three yeeres ſome moneths and ſome dayes, and was buried by *Walpoole* Biſhop of *Norwich* in the Church of *Elie*, on the north part of the queere, before the Altar of Saint *Iohn Baptiſt*.

William de Marchia or *Gulielmus Martius*, was Treaſurer in Eaſter terme in the 18. of *Edw.* the firſt, in which office he continued about 5. yeares, & was removed from that place in the 23. of *Edward* the firſt, & *Peter* of *Leiceſter*, Baron of the Exchequer, with the two Chamberlaines executed al functions of that office untill a new Treaſurer was made this *William de Marchia* was made Biſhop of *Bathe* and *Welles* in *An. Do.* 1293. being the 22. of *Edward* the firſt, in which See hee remained almoſt 10.

yeares,

yeares, and died in *An. Do.* 1302. being about the 32. of *Edward* the firſt, & was buried in the Church of *VVells* in the wall, betweene the doore of the Cloiſter, and the Altar of Saint *Martin*, at whoſe Tombe in times paſt (as the nature of that credulous age did haſtily beleeve) were many miracles done, as ſome have left in memory to the following poſterity.

VValter Langhſtane Biſhop of *Lichfield* and *Coventry* was made Treaſurer after *William de Marchia* in 23. *Edward* the firſt, in which office he continued (as I gather) during the life of *Edward* the firſt, which fell in the 35. of his raigne being *An. Do.* 1307. and was then removed and imprisoned in the Tower with two men onely by *Edward* the ſecond then comming to the Crowne, becauſe the ſaid *Walter Langſtone* had cauſed *Edward* the firſt to impriſon, and as ſome have to baniſh this new King, for breaking downe the Parkes of the ſaid Biſhop. During the time that this *Peter de Willeby* was under-Treaſurer or Livetenant of the Treaſury, for the words be *Locum tenens theſaurarij* in 30. 31. and 32. *Edward* the firſt, this *Walter* was made Biſhop of *Coventry* and *Lichfield* in *An. Do.* 1295. being 23. yeare of *Edward* the firſt, and the ſame yeare that he was made Treaſurer: he died about *Ann. Do.* 1321. being about the 14. yeare of *Edward* the ſecond: to which Biſhop the Barons of *Cobham* were heires, being deſcended from *Margaret* the Siſter and heire of *John Powerell*, the Coſen and heire of this *Walter Langhſtane*, which

Margaret

Margaret was married to Sir *William de La Poole* of *Ashby* Knight, from whom the Lord *Cobham* issued. In this mans time of being Treasurer dyed King *Edward* the first, for whom were these verses.

Dum viguit (Rex) & valuit tua magna potestas
Fraus latuit, pax magna fuit, regnavit honestas
Scotos Edvardus dum vixit suppeditavit
Tenuit, affixit, depressit, dilaniavit.

Walter Reynolds, Schoolemaster to *Edward* the second, Bishop of *Worcester* & after of *Canterbury* and Chancellor of *England* was advanced to the place of Lord Treasurer of *England* in the first yeare of *Edward* the second, being in *An. Dom.* 1307. after which in the yeare 1308. hee was made Bishop of *Worcester*, he continued in the office of Treasurer untill some part of the 4. yeare of *Edward* the second, at what time came in his place *John Sandall*, who was Liveteniant unto the said *Walter* in place of the Treasurer, as appeareth by many writs directed unto him by the name of *John Sandall Locumtenens Walteri Episcopi Wigorn.* Of him is more spoken in the Chancellors of *England*.

John de Sandall being Clerke *Scutifer Regis*, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Chancellor of *England* having beene before under Treasurer, or Depury for the high Treasurer, came now in the fourth yeare of *Edward* the second, to bee made chiefe Treasurer, and entred into that office in

Easter

Eaſter tearme about the beginning of the 4. yeare of *Edward* the 2. But in the yeare following, which was in the fifth yeare of *Edward* the ſecond, hee gave place to another. Hee was choſen Biſhop of *Wincheſter*, in the ninth yeare of King *Edward* the ſecond, being in *An Do.* 1316. Of whom thus writeth *Anonymus*, *M. S. Obierunt Epiſcopus Wintan & Eliæ viri ſacra profeſſione inſigniti, quorum primo ſucceſsit Iohannes de Sandall Cancellarius Angliæ vir cunctis affabilis & neceſſarius communitati; Secundo ſucceſsit Iohannes Hothum ſtaccan. regis, vir ſiquidem ſcientia penitus ignarus, qui ſtatim epiſcopatus aſcenſo culmine ad honorum pariter & officij theſaurarij Rex in ſui favorem ſublimavit.*

Walter Norwich Knight Treaſurer in the 5. yeare of *Edward* the 2. and afterward in Eaſter tearme in the 8. yeare of *Edward* the 2. did on the third of *October* receive the office of Treaſurerſhip, and tooke his oath before the Barons & Chamberleynes of the Exchequer, to behave himſelfe well and faithfully in the ſame office which he had received by Letters Patents dated at yorke the 26. of *September* in the eight yeare of King *Edward* the ſecond, which he kept not long at that time.

Iohn Sandall, was the ſecond time Lord Treaſurer in ſixt and ſeventh yeare of King *Edw.* the ſecond: This man being Biſhop of *Wincheſter* was Treaſurer. Of him ſee more in the Chancellers of *England*.

Walter de Norwich being Treaſurer as before in

the eight yeare of *Edward* the ſecond did not long enjoy the ſame, but as I ſuppoſe grave place to *Iohn Drokensford.*

Iohn Drokensford the 14. Biſhop of *Bath* and *Wells* had as I have read the great ſeale delivered unto him, and was alſo Treaſurer of *England*, but becauſe I finde not as yet in what yeare, although it were in the time of *Edward* the ſecond, I cannot ſet downe the certainety. Of whom thus writeth the Regiſter of the Biſhops of *Bath. Iohannes Drokensford Theſaurarius*, 14. *Bathon Epiſcopus poſt Walterum Haſelſhawes, ſucceſsit in Epiſcopatum Bathon, annis.* 19. *iſte epiſcopatum pluribus ædificijs inſignivit, francheſias per regis epiſcopatus conceſſas, non ſolum litterarie renovavit, ſed etiam ampliavit, & quo additationem & exaltationem parentelæ ſuæ ferè fuit æqualis prædeceſſori ſuo Roberto Bornell, & Wellis ſepelitur ante altare ſancti Iohannis Baptiſtæ.*

Iohn Hothum Biſhop of *Elie*, as is before noted out of one anonymall Chronicle, obteyned the place and honour of Treaſurerſhip in the 11. yeare of *Edward* the ſecond, which hee did not long enjoy, for in the Michaelmas Tearme in the the 12. yeare of *Edward* the ſecond, came *William VValwaine.* Of this *Iohn Hotham* is mention made in the diſcourſe of the Chancellers.

VVilliam VValwaine, Treaſurer of *England* in the 12. yeare of *Edward* the ſecond, about *An. Dom.*

Dom. 1318. was (as it ſhould ſeeme) for his negligence and unworthines removed at the Parliament at yorke, in ſuch ſort as he poſſeſſed not that place (as I conceive) above halfe a yeare: for in the ſame twelfth yeare came the Biſhop of *VVincheſter.*

John Stratford, Biſhop of *VVincheſter*, upon the removing of *VValwaine* was in the 12. yeare of *Edward* the ſecond, admitted into the office of Treaſurerſhip, untill the King ſhould otherwiſe determine. Which Biſhop found out in the Treaſury above Twenty nine Pound Seventeene ſhillings eight pence, which might bee the cauſe of diſplacing of *VValwaine*, who had over prodigally diſperſed the Kings Treaſure.

VValter Stapleton, Biſhop of *Exeter* was Treaſurer in the 13. yeare of *Edward* the ſecond, *An. Dom.* 1319. In which I ſuppoſe he contynued untill the 15. yeare of *Edward* the ſecond, *An. Dom.* 1321.

VValter Norwich Knight, was the Third tyme made Treaſurer, which place he enjoyed in 15. *Edward* the ſecond, *An. Do.* 1321. or thereabouts, *VValſingham* ſaith, that in the ſecond yeare of *Edward* the third. *Obijt VVilliam de Norwich.*

Roger Northborrow Scutifer or keeper of the ſeale being taken by the *Scots* at the battell of *Bannocsbourne* about the ſeventh yeare of *Edward* the ſecond, in *An. Do.* 1313. was alſo Clerke of the

Wardrobe, and Treasurer in the sixteenth yeare of *Edward* the 2. being in *An. Dom.* 1321. Of whom thus writeth one *Anonimall* Cronicle. *M.S. An. Do. 1321. Obijt VValterus de Langtone Episcopus Cestren cui successit in episcopatus honore per viam impressionis & ambitionis Rogerus Northburgh Clericus de regis garderobia, sibi regis in cunctis faventibus auxilio & voluntate.* I have read of one *Godfrey* of *Northburgh* Bishop of *Chester* that died in thirty three yeare of *Edward* the third, being in *An. Do.* 1359, which perhaps should bee this *Roger Northborow*. *Godfrey* being by the transcriber placed in stead of *Roger*, but I will not at this time define any certainety thereof, although I finde another note of one *Roger Northburgh* consecrated Bishop of *Coventry* and *Lichfield* in *An. Dom.* 1321. who sate in that See 38. yeares, which 38. yeares added to the other in which this *Roger* was made Bishop doe make up the number of 1359. in which it is said that *Godfrey Northborow* died.

VValter Stapleton, Bishop of *Exeter* the second tyme Treasurer in the 18. yeare of *Edward* the second, and before was removed in Easter Terme in the same yeare. In which Easter Terme was *VVilliam* Bishop of *Yorke* also made Treasurer, as is proved by the *Pell* of *Exitus*, that Terme being thus intituled. *De Terwino Paschæ An.* 18. *Edw.* 2. *tam tempore VV. episcopi Exon, quam VV. archi-Episcopi Eborum.* This Walter being elected to the Bishoppricke of *Exeter* in *An. Dom.* 1307. did sit in that place twenty yeares, and was beheded at the comming into *England* of Queene *Isabell* to depose

poſe *Edward* the ſecond in the yeare 1326. The cauſe of whoſe beheading was, for that hee had procured the baniſhment of the ſaid Queene *Iſabell* and of her ſonne Prince *Edward*.

VVilliam Melton Archbiſhop of *Yorke* made Lord Treaſurer in Eaſter Terme in the 18. yeare of *Edward* the ſecond kept the ſame office untill the depoſition of himſelfe from that place, and of his Maſter from his Kingdome in the twentieth yeare of the ſaid *Edward* the ſecond, and then gave place to *Iohn Stratford*.

Iohn Stratford, Biſhop of *VVincheſter* was the ſecond time made Treaſurer of *England* in the 20. yeare of the depoſed King *Edward*, after the death of *VValter Stapleton*, This *Iohn* the 14. day of *November* in the twentieth yeare of *Edward* the ſecond, comming into the Exchequer brought thither the Kings patent or open Writ, or commandement, under the ſeale of *Edward* the Kings eldeſt ſon, to witnes his election & creatiõ to that place of Treaſurer, the tenor of which writt, I have thought good to ſet downe, becauſe it was done by the ſon, in the fathers name, and under the Teſte of the ſon, the father yet being King in ſhew, but the ſonne indeede as governer of the Realme, which title hee enjoyed, untill that hee moſt unnaturally, by the malice of his mother, the ambition of himſelfe, and the flattery of his followers, had depoſed his father. The tenor of which writt, was in theſe words as followeth.

Edwardus Rex Angliæ, & dominus Hiberniæ, baronibus & camerariis ſuis de ſcaccario ſuo ſalutem. Quum pro eo quod venerabilis pater. VV. archiepiſcopus Eborum nuper theſaurarius ſcaccarij prædicti, circa diverſa negotia in partibus borealibus eſt occupatus, quo minus intendere poſsit ad ea quæ ad officium illud in dicto ſcaccario pertinent exercenda. Conſtituerimus venerabilem patrem Iohannem Wintonienſem epiſcopum, tenentem locum theſaurarij ſcaccarij prædicti, quouſque de officio illo aliter duximus ordinandum. Percipendo in eodem officio (dum illud ſic tenuerit) feodum conſuetum prout in literis noſtris patentibus epiſcopo præfato inde confectis plenius continetur. Vobis mandamus quod ipſum epiſcopum ad officium admittatis, & ei in his quæ ad officium prædictum pertineant intendatis in forma prædicta. Teſte Edwardo filio noſtro primogenito cuſtode regni noſtri, apud Hereford Sexto die Novembris, anno regni noſtri viceſsimo.

Adam Tarleton, or *de Orleton*, borne in *Hereford-ſhire*, being *Decretorum Doctor*, was made Biſhop of *Hereford* by the Pope at *Avinion* in *An. Dom.* 1317. about the 10. or 11. yeare of *Edward* the ſecond, being hee that made the Sermon for the depoſition of King *Edward* the ſecond, and wrote the amphibologicall Epiſtle for the death of the King, conteyning theſe words; (*Regem occidere nolite timere bonum eſt*) which hath by a comma or point made at *Timere*, one ſenſe, and by a comma made at *Nolite*, another ſence. Which *Adam* was made Lord Treaſurer in the firſt yeare

yeare of *Edward* the third, being in *An. Dom.* 1326. in which office he continued not long, for in the Eaſter terme of the ſaid King, came *Henry* Biſhop of *Lincolne.* This man was made Biſhop of *Wincheſter* in *An. Dom.* 1335. being the ninth of *Edward* the third, in which ſeate he ſate 12. yeares The death of which *Adam*, (who gave *Hemingfield* parſonage to the Church of *Hereford*) Sir *Thomas De la More*, doth moſt plentifully ſet forth.

Henry Burwaſh, Biſhop of *Lincolne*, deſcended of the Lord *Burghurſt* his Family called Lord *Burwaſh*, was Lord Treaſurer in Eaſter terme in the firſt yeare of *Edward* the third, being in *An. Dom.* 1327. in which office he continued untill 2. yeare of *Edward* the third, and was afterwards removed.

Thomas, Biſhop of *Hereford* injoyed the honorable office of Lord Treaſurer in the third yeare of *Edward* the third, being in *An. Dom.* 1329. but in the yeare following another came in place.

Robert Woodhouſe poſſeſſed the roome of the high Treaſurer of *England* in the fourth yeare of *Edward* the third being in *An. Dom.* 1330. And was alſo Treaſurer ſome part of Michaelmas terme in the fift yeare of *Edward* the third, who in the yeare following did give place to another.

William Archbiſhop of *Yorke* was againe Treaſurer of *England* in the fift yeare of *Edward* the third, being *An. Do.* 1331. and enjoyed that place ſome

ſome part of Michaelmas Terme in the ſaid yeare, after whom came the Biſhop of *Norwich*.

William Biſhop of *Norwich*, was made Treaſurer in Michaelmas Terme in the fift yeare of *Edward* the third, in which tearme there had beene three Lord Treaſurers ſucceſſively, (a thing ſeldome or never heard, which office this Biſhop kept all Michaelmas Tearme in the ſixt yeare of *Edward* the third, being in *An. Dom.* 1332. and ſomewhat more in the end, yet yeelding that honour to another.

Robert le Ailſtone, being Lord Treaſurer in the ſeventh yeare of *Edward* the third being *An. Do.* 1333. continued in the ſame office untill the tenth yeare of *Edward* the third being in *An. Dom.* 1336. which was about three yeares, the ſame being a longer time then any other had poſſeſſed that place, ſince the beginning of the raigne of the ſaid King.

Henry Burwaſh, Biſhop of *Lincolne*, was againe Treaſurer the tenth yeare of *Edward* the third being in *An. Dom.* 1336. in which yeare (as hath *Scala cronicorum*) the King holding his Parliament at *London*, was adviſed by his Counſell to proſecute his title to the Crowne of *France*. Whereupon King *Edward* ſent Ambaſſadors, to the Duke of *Bavier* Emperor, which had married the other ſiſter to the Earle of *Hannalt*, (as King *Edward* the third had married one) for ſurety of aliance, and to retaine noble men about him with no ſmall charge, which

which ambaſſadors were *Henry Burgwaſh* Biſhop of *Lincolne*, and the Earles *William Mountacute* of *Sarum*, and *William Clinton* of *Huntington*, who returned to the Parliament at *London* with their anſwer well liked. Of this man ſee more in the Chancellers, being yet after his ambaſſage Treaſurer for ſome part of the 11. yeare of King *Edward* the third.

Richard de Bury, Biſhop of *Durham* did enjoy the honour of Lord Treaſurer in the 11. yeare of *Edward* the third, hee was a man of great gravity and much eſteemed of the nobility and gentlemen of the North. Of this man is more ſoken of in the Chancellers of *England*.

William de la Zouch, borne of the noble houſe of the Lord *Zouch* was Treaſurer of *England*, in the 12. yeare of *Edward* the third in *An. Dom.* 1338. he being Biſhop of *Yorke*, was vicegerent to the King in the North parts in the 20. yeare of *Edward* the third, and in *An. Dom.* 1346. at what time he tooke *David Bruce* King of the Scotts. This man went to *Rome*, and after a long contention betweene him, and *William Kelſtye*, *Kelsbie*, or *Kelſey* (for all theſe different names, are found in Authors) touching the Archbiſhopprick of *Yorke*, he was after two yeares thus ſpent conſecrated Biſhop of *Yorke* by Pope *Clement* the ſixt, after which this *William* in the 11. yeare of his Biſhoppricke being long troubled with a grievous diſeaſe, began the worke of a Chapell on the South ſide adjoyning to the

Church of Saint *Peters* in *Yorke*, where he purpoſed to bee buried, but died before it was finiſhed, and lieth interred in the ſaid Church before the Altar of *Edward* the confeſſor.

Sir *Richard Sadington* Knight, was Treaſurer in the fourteenth yeare of *Edward* the third, being in *An. Dom.* 1340. There was one Robert Sadington living about this time, of whom is more mention in the Chancellors of *England*, but as yet I well know not whether they were both one man or noe, ſith Authors may miſplace *Robert* for *Richard*, as they have often done.

Robert Northborow, being at that time (as I judge) Biſhop of *Coventry*, was Treaſurer of *England* in the 14. yeare of *Edward* the third, and in *An. Dom.* 1340. in which yeare hee was removed, whom with the Chancellor the King ment afterward (as after ſhall appeare) to have ſent into Flanders as Pledges for money that the King ought there. After whom as I ſuppoſe, that *Sadington* came in place

A Biſhop of *Cheſter* was Lord Treaſure of *England* in the fifteenth yeare of *Edward* the third, being in *An. Dom.* 1341. in which office he did not long continue.

Robert Perning or *Pernicke* was Lord Treaſurer in the Eaſter tearme in *An. Dom.* 1341. being the fifteenth yeare of King *Edward* the third, in which yeare alſo hee was made Chancellor, and ſo con-

continued both offices a while untill the ſixteenth yeare of *Edward* the third, as I gather by all circumſtances of times, records, and hiſtories, who in the ſeventeenth yeare of *Edward* the third, being *An. Dom.* 1343. (as appeareth by the bookes of the Law) being Chancellor, delivered a record with his hands into the Court of the Kings Bench; Of this man more is ſet downe in the Chancellers.

Roger Northborow (as I take it) being then Biſhop of *Covcntry*, did honorably poſſeſſe the place of Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the ſixteenth yeare of *Edward* the third, being in *An. Do.* 1342. Of whom thus writeth *Matthew Parker* in the life of *Iohn Stratford* Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*. *Ibi* (meaning at the Tower) *concilium initum eſt, tandemque definitum, ut Archiepiſcopus & epiſcopus Ciceſtreſcis regni Cancellarius & Coventrenſis Theſaurarius una cum aliis ſatellitibus & lictoribus deprehenſi, ad publicam cuſtodiam rerum a ſe, abſente rege, geſtarum rationem reddituri ducerentur. Mane accedunt ſatellites Lametham, ſed archiepiſcopus ei pridie deceſſerat, tum Londinum reverſi, Coventrenſem & Ciceſtrenſem epiſcopos cum aliis deſignatis capiunt, captos ad turrim deducunt, &c.*

William de Cuſans being Lord Treaſurer in the ſeventeenth yeare of *Edward* the third in *An. Dom.* 1343. continued in the ſame office all Michaelmas tearme in the eighteenth yeare of *Edward* the third and *An. Dom.* 1344. Betweene whom and *Thomas*

Hanley Abbat of *Weſtminſter* was great contention about the iuriſdiction of the hoſpital of Saint *Iames* in the pariſh of Saint *Margaret* in *Weſtminſter*, which Hoſpitall is now a ſtately houſe belonging to the King, and built by King *Henry* the eight, called the manner of Saint *Iames* with a Parke walled about.

William de Edington, Lord Chancellor and Treaſurer of *England*, Biſhop of *Wincheſter*, was Lord Treaſurer in Eaſter Tearme in the nineteenth yeare of *Edward* the third, being in *An. Dom.* 1345. in which office he continued untill the 31. yeare of the ſaid King, *An. Dom.* 1358. being 14. yeares Hee was ſo ſurnamed of the place where hee was borne, being the Towne of *Edington* in *Wiltſhire*, he was made Biſhop of *Wincheſter* (as ſome have) about *An. Dom.* 1347. being about the 21. yeare of *Edward* the third: This man choſen Biſhop of *Canterbury* (but yet never Biſhop) died (as hath *Walſingham* in the fortieth yeare of *Edward* the third being in *An. Dom.* 1366.

Iohn Biſhop of *Rocheſter*, was Lord Treaſurer in the 32. yeare of *Edward* the third in *An. Do.* 1358. in which office hee continued in the 33. and 34. of the ſame King.

Simon Langham, being of the Priory of *Weſtminſter* made Abbat of that houſe, was ſhortly after made Lord Treaſurer of *England*, which office he held in the 35. yeare of *Edward* the third, and

36. who being Biſhop of *London* (as hath *Matthew Parker*) was in *An. Dom.* 1361. being the thirty fifth yeare of *Edward* the third, by the Pope made biſhop of *Ely*, where he ſate five yeares, and was after in *An. Dom.* 1366, being in the 40. yeare of *Edward* the third, choſen Biſhop of *Canterbury*, and conſecrated in *An. Dom.* 1367. as ſaith the ſame *Matthew Parker*: On which day of his conſecration, he demanded homage of the Earle *Stafford* of *Thomas Roſſe*, *John Tirhill*, *Robert Brockhill*, and *Raphe Sentleger* Knights, for their Lands which they held of the Sea of *Canterbury*. Shortly after which in *An. Dom.* 1368. being the 42. yeare of *Edward* the third, he was made Cardinall, and died at *Avimere* the 22 day of *July*, about *An. Dom.* 1376. being in the 50. yeare of King *Edward* the third, and was buried beſides *Avinion*, in a place which he had raiſed from the foundation. Three yeares after which, his bones were brought to *Weſtminſter*, where at this day hee hath a worthie Tombe on the ſouth ſide of the Shrine amongſt the Kings, on whoſe Tombe the Moonkes of *Weſtminſter* did ſometime place this Epitaphe in the remembrance of him.

Simon de Langham ſub petrus his tumulatus
Iſtius Eccleſiæ monachus fuerat, prior, abbas.
Sede vacante fuit, electus Londonienſis
Præſul & inſignis eligi, ſed poſtea primas
Totius regni, magnus regis que miniſter
Nam Theſaurarius & Cancellarius ejus
Ac Cardinalis in Roma Preshiter iſte.

Poſtq;

Postq; Praenestinus est factus episcopus atque
Nuntius ex parte Papæ, transmittitur istuc
Orbe dolente pater, quem nunc revocare nequimus
Magdalanæ festo milleno septuageno.
Et ter centeno sexto Christi ruit anno
Hunc Deus absolvat, de cunctis quæ male gessit
Et meritis matris sibi calica gaudia donet.

Of this man I have treated in the collection of all the Chancellers of *England.*

Iohn Barret made Bishop of *Worcester* in *An. Do.* 1362. being the 36. yeare of *Edward* the third was Treasurer of *England* in the 37. yeare of *Edward* the third, in which office he continued, being Treasurer in Michaelmas Tearme in the 38. yeare of *Edward* the third, which fell in *An. Dom.* 1364. and so hee continued till the 43. yeare of *Edward* the third, still Treasurer. He was made Bishop of *Bath* in *An. Dom.* 1363. in which Bishoppricke he remained three yeares, and was by *Vrbane* the 6. then Bishop of *Rome*, translated from *Bath* to *Elie* in *An. Dom.* 1366. being the 40. yeare of *Edward* the 3. in which place hee sate sixe yeares, and being a very old man, and having beene Treasurer about sixe yeares, hee died at *Hatfield* the seventh Ides of *Iune* in *An. Dom.* 1373. in the 47. yeare of *Edward* the third, hee was buried in the Church of *Elie*, besides the high Altar on the south part.

Thomas de Brantington being Treasurer for the King

King in the parts of *Guisnes marches*, and *Calis* in *An. Dom.* 1367. being in the 41. yeare of *Edward* the third, was made Bishop of *Exeter* by speciall Letters of the King in *An. Dom.* 1368. being the 43. yeare of *Edward* the third, and was Lord Treasurer of *England*, in the 44. and 45. yeares of *Edward* the third, which 45. beeing in *An. Dom.* 1371. he was in a Parliament at the Petition of the Lords removed, at which time also there passed a Law, that the Chancellor Treasurer and Clarke of the Privy seale should no more be spiritual men, but that secular men should have those offices.

Sir *Richard Scroope*, Lord of *Bolton* and Chancellor of *England*, was Treasurer of *England* in the 46. yeare of *Edward* the third, and then gave place to Sir *Robert Aston* Knight. This *Richard* made out of the ground the Castle of *Bolton* consisting of foure great strong towers, & of other stately lodgings, which Castell was erecting 18. yeares, the charges whereof came yearely unto a Thousand Marks, which was 18. thousand Markes, or 12000. pounds, which Castle hee finished before *Richard* the second died. He bought the heire generall of S. *Quintine* that was owner of *Hornely* Castle in *Richmondshire*, which heire hee was content one *Conyers* a servant of his should marry, and have the preferment of that ward, & so *Hornby* Castle came to the *Coniers*, of which the first Lord was *William Coniers*, grandfather to him that died in the time of *Queene Mary* without heire male, whereby his inheritance came to his three daughters, which

William

William the first Lord *Coniers* of that name did much coſt upon *Horneby* Caſtle being before but a meane thing. I have read of this Lord *Scroope* that hee had a ſonne called *William*, whereof wee will ſpeake more hereafter, that was Earle of *Wiltſhire*, who being beheaded in his fathers life, left no iſſue behind him. After which the father ſurviving was made Treaſurer to the King, and died in honour, althoug he was not reſtored to his dignity of Chancellerſhip, but at what time he ſhould be the ſecond time Treaſurer (after the death of his ſonne *William*) in the time of *Henry* the fourth. I cannot as yet certainely learne, But it may bee that hee was againe Treaſurer in the ninth yeare of *Henry* the fourth, for that I finde not by any former ſearch who then poſſeſſed that place. It ſeemeth that he had two wives, the one the daughter of the *Lord Spenſer*, the other the daughter of *Michaell de la Poole* Earle of *Suffolke* called *Blanch*. Hee had three ſonnes, for whom hee bought of the King the three daughters and heires of *Robert* Lord *Tiptoft*, whereof the eldeſt daughter *Margaret* was married to *Roger* his ſecond ſonne, the ſecond daughter was married to *William* his eldeſt ſonne, the third daughter called *Milleſcent* was married to *Stephen* the third ſonne of the ſaid *Richard*.

Sir *Robert Aſhton* Knight, Conſtable of *Dover* Caſtle, and Lord warden of the Cinque Ports, was Lord Treaſurer in the 50. and 51. yeare of King *Edward* the third in Michaelmas terme, which was the laſt Michaelmas tearme wherein the King raigned

raigned, being in *An. Dom.* 1376. of which name there was alſo one that was chiefe Baron in the time of *Edward* the ſecond, as I have read.

Henry Wake or *Wakefield* being made Biſhop of *Worceſter* in *An. Do.* 1375. being in the 49. yeare of *Edw.* the 3. was made Lord Treaſurer of *England* in *An. Dom.* 1376. in the 51. yeare of *Edward* the third, in which office hee continued part of Eaſter terme in the firſt yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, being in *An. Dom.* 1378. he died in *An. Dom.* 1395. as ſaith *Walſingham.*

Thomas Brantington Biſhop of *Exceſter* was made Lord Treaſurer in firſt yeare of *Richard* the ſecond towards the latter end of Eaſter tearme, being in *An. Dom.* 1378. as I compute it, from which place he was ſhortly removed in the ſecond yeare of *Richard* the ſecond.

Richard Earle of *Arundell* and *Surry* made Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the ſecond yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, whereof part fell in *Anno Dom.* 1378. and part in 1379. continued about One yeare in the ſame, and then gave place to him, which poſſeſſed the ſame place laſt before him, he married *Elizabeth* daughter of *William de Bohune* Earle of *Northampton* and *Hereford*, by whom hee had iſſue Thomas Earle of Arundell, *Ioane* maried to *William Beuchampe* Lord *Aburgavennie*, *Elizabeth* married to *Thomas* Lord *Mowbray*, *Margaret* married to Sir *Rowland Lenthall*, and *Alice* married

to *John Charleton* Lord *Powes*. He dyed in the 21. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond.

Thomas Brantington, Biſhop of *Exceſter* was the third time made Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the third yeare of the after depoſed King *Richard* the ſecond, and was removed from his office in the 4. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond in *An. Dom.* 1380. after the account of ſuch, as begin the yeare on the 25. of *March*.

Robert Hales, chiefe Prior of the Knights of the Rhodes intituled by the name of the Knights of St. *Iohns Ieruſalem* in *England*, was Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the fourth yeare of *Richard* the 2. in which office he continued during his life, for ſhortly after hee came into that place, which I ſuppoſe he held in Eaſter tearme, and ſome monethes after, in the ſaid yeare of *Richard* the ſecond in *An. Do.* 1381. the *Rebels* having ſpoyled the hoſpitall or famous colledge of thoſe Knights of Saint *Iohns* by *Smithfield* neere unto *London*, amongſt other did fetch this *Robert Hales* out of the Tower of *London* (where the King then lay) and beheaded him on the Tower hill.

Hugh Segrave Knight, whom *Walſingham* calleth *Regis ſeneſchallum*, the Kings Steward, was made Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the fifth yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, who continued in the ſaid office, the 6, 7, 8. and ſome part of Michaelmas tearme in the 9. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, being in *An. Do.* 1385.

Iohn

Iohn Fortham Canon, being Secretary to the King, was made Biſhop of *Durham* the 29. day of *May* in *An. Dom.* 1381. being in the fourth yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, and was inthronized in *September* in *An. Dom* 1382. being in the ſixt yeare of *Richard* the ſecond. This man was made Lord Treaſurer in Michaelmas tearme in the ninth yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, being in *An. Dom.* 1385. and ſo continued part of the 10. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, until he was by parliament diſcharged. He was tranſlated from the Biſhoppricke of *Durham* to *Elie*, by *Boniface* the Pope the firſt Calends of *October*, as hath the booke of *Durham* 1389. being in the 12. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond; but as ſaith the booke of *Elie*, 1388. being in the 13 yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, which both may bee true, becauſe the one may have relation to the yeare of his tranſlation, and the other to the yeare of his inthronization, both which many times happened in ſeverall yeares of many other Biſhops. He was Biſhop of *Elie* 37. yeares three moneths, and foure dayes, and dyed a very old man the 13. of *December* in his Mannor of *Durham* in *An. Dom.* 1425. falling in the fourth yeare of *Henry* the ſixt.

Iohn Gilbert, Biſhop of *Hereford* was by Parliament made Lord Treaſurer in the 10. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, being in *An. Dom.* 1386. in which office hee continued the eleventh and all Michaelmas Tearme in the 12. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, and the 21. day of *March* following; after which

he was againe removed, and then hee with twelve more were appointed by commiſſion to the gouernement of the whole Realme under the King, of whom thus writeth on Anonymall Chronicle. *M. S. Is fuit in ordine pradicatorum vir qui plus lingua quam fide regebat.* Which Biſhop (as I ſuppoſe) was removed to Saint *Davids*, after that hee had beene thirteene yeares Biſhop of *Hereford*.

Thomas Brantington, Biſhop of *Exceſter*. I have read that the Biſhop of *Exceſter* was made Treaſurer in the twelfth yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, upon the removing of *Iohn Gilbert*, which Biſhop of *Exceſter* could not be *Edmond Gifford*, as ſome falſly name him, for there is no ſuch man, as I can find in the catalogue of all the Biſhops of *Exceſter*, neither was it *Edmund Stafford* for hee was not made Biſhop of *Exceſter* untill the 20. of *Iune* 1395. being the day before King *Richard* began the twenty one yeare of his raigne, which is eight yeares after the time whereof we now intreate. Wherefore it muſt needs bee *Thomas Brantington*, for hee being conſecrated Biſhop of *Exceſter* the tenth day of *March* in *An. Dom.* 1370. being in the 44. yeare of *Edward* the third, & governing that See 24. yeares, till *An. Dom.* 1395. in which came *Edmund Stafford* Keeper of the Privie Seale, it muſt be that the Biſhop of *Exceſter* being Treaſurer in the twelfth yeare of *Richard* the ſecond falling in *An. Dom.* 1388. it was this man *Brantington*, and that he was the fourth time made Lord Treaſurer of *England*,

about

about the 18. yeare after that he was made Biſhop of *Exceſter*, who died in the yeare 1395. as hath *Tpodigma.*

Iohn Gilbert, Biſhop of Saint *Davids* in *Wales* was Lord Treaſurer in the 13. and 14. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond: Of whom there is ſomewhat ſpoken before.

Iohn Waltham, of whom there is large mention in the diſcourſe of the Archbiſhops of *Canterbury* in the life of *Will. Courtney*, was Biſhop of *Salisbury*, Maſter of the *Rolls* in the ſixt yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, and keeper of the Privie ſeale, after which he was Treaſurer of *England* in the 15, 16, 17, and part of the 18. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, for hee died in Michaelmas Tearme in the 18. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, in *An. Dom.* 1395. others ſay, 1394. Of whom thus writeth *Walſingham. Hoc Anno* (which was 1395) *obijt Iohannes de Waltham Epiſcopus Sarum, & regni theſaurarius, qui tantum Regi complacuerit, ut etiam multis licet murmurantibus apud monaſterium inter reges meruit ſepulturam.*

Roger Walden, ſometimes Secretary to the King, and Treaſurer of the Towne of *Calis* in the twelfth yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, was made Lord Treaſurer in the eighteenth yeare of the ſaid King, about *An. Dom.* 1365. in which office he continued in the 22. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond. Hee was elected and made Biſhop of *Canterbury*, but after rejected and depoſed, and thereupon was by Pope

Innocent the ſeventh made Biſhop of *London* in the tenth yeare of *December* in *An. Dom.* 1404. being in the ſixt yeare of *Henry* the fourth, in the which Biſhopricke hee continued one yeare, and died in *An. Dom.* 1406. being buried at S. *Bartholomewes* Priory in *Smithfield*, who of a poore man (as ſaith *Walſingham*) was made Lord Treaſurer of *England*.

G. Biſhop of Saint *Davids* in *Wales* was Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the twentie two yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, which Biſhop I ſuppoſe to bee *Guy de Moone*, whom the booke *Ypodigma & Thomas Walſingham* call Biſhop of Saint *Davids*, and ſay, that hee died in *An. Dom.* 1407. writing in this ſort. *Eodem anno Guido de Mone Menevenſis epiſcopus præſentis lucis ſenſit eclipſim, qui dum vixit magnorum malorum cauſa fuit.*

Sir *William Scroope* Knight, Vicechamberleine to *Richard* the ſecond was Lord Treaſurer, hee bought of *William Montacute* Earle of *Salisbury* the Ile of *Man* with the Crowne thereof. Hee was one of thoſe to whom King *Richard* the ſecond, let the Kingdome to farme, he was Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the 21. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, and was after created Earle of *Wiltſhire* in the ſaid 21. yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, in *An. Dom* 1397. Hee was after beheaded at *Briſtow* in the twenty three yeare of *Richard* the ſecond: Of which *William Scroope* and others, thus writeth that worthy Poet *Iohn Gower* in his hiſtorie of *Richard* the ſecond

cond, commonly taken as part of his booke intituled *Vox Clamantis.*

Dux probus audaci vultu cum plebe ſequaci
Regnum ſcrutatur, ſi proditor inveniator
Sic tres exoſos, magis omnibus ambitioſos
Regni tortores, invenerat ipſe priores.
Enſe reperçuſſi pereunt, Gren, Scrop, quoq; Buſsi
Hi qui regales fuerant cum rege ſodales.
Scrop. comes & miles, cujus Briſtolia viles
Actus declarat, quo mors ſua fata pararat
Gren quoq; ſorte pari, ſtatuit dux decapitari
Buſsi convictus ſimiles quoq; ſuſtinet ictus
Vnanimes mente, pariter mors una repente
Hos tres proſtravit gladius, quos fine voravit
Sicut & egerunt alijs, ſic hi eciderunt
Quo dux laudatur, regnumque per omne jocatur.

Sir *John Northbury* made Lord Treaſurer in the firſt yeare of *Henry* the fourth, being in *An. Dom.* 1399. and continued in the ſame in the third yeare of *Henry* the fourth in which yeare he was keeper of the Privie gardrobe in the Tower alſo.

Henry Bowet made Biſhop of *Bath* about *An. Do.* 1401. being in the ſecond yeare of *Henry* the fourth, in which biſhoprick he continued 8. yeares, and was after at the Kings inſtance in *An. Dom.* 1407. about the eight of *Henry* the fourth removed to *Yorke*, This man was Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the fourth yeare of *Henry* the fourth in *An. Do.* 1403. in which place hee continued not above a yeare.

William

William Lord *Roſſe* the ſonne of *Thomas* Lord *Roſſe* did poſſeſſe the honorable place of Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the fifth yeare of *Henry* the fourth about *An. Dom.* 1404. and ſhortly after gave place to the Lord *Furnivall*. Hee married *Margaret* daughter of *Fitzallen*, Lord *Matravers*, hee had iſſue *Thomas* Lord *Roſſe* ſlaine in *France* in *An. Dom.* 1421. about the ninth yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, and many other Children.

Thomas Lord *Furnivall* kept the place and office of Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the 6, 7. and ſome part of the 8. yeare of *Henry* the fourth, as in Michaelmas tearme of the ſaid 8. yeare falling in *An. Dom.* 1406. after which this Lord *Furnivall*, who had the cuſtodie of the Caſtle and honor of *Wigmore* being in the Kings hands by reaſon of the wardſhip and minority of *Edmond Mortimer* Earle of *March*, was (as it ſeemeth) removed from the Treaſurerſhip, in whoſe roome ſucceeded the Biſhop of *London*. To theſe Lord *Furnivalls* did *Furnivalls Inne* in *Holborne* ſometime appertaine as their manſion houſe, being now an Inne of Chancery for young Students of the Law, and Atturneis, and belonging to *Lincolnes Inne* in *Chancery-lane*.

Nicholas Bubwith, made Biſhop of *London* in *An. Dom.* 1406. being in the eight yeare of *Henry* the fourth, muſt bee that Biſhop of *London* (as farre as I can yet conceive) who was Lord Treaſurer of *England* in Michaelmas tearme in the 8. yeare

yeare, the office of the Treaſurer remained in the Kings hands, and the Accompts of the ſaid terme goe under the ſame title of being in the Kings hands.

Sir *Richard Scroope* Lord of *Bolton* (wherof is ſo much ſpoken before) was as I ſuppoſe the ſecond time made Treaſurer of *England* in the ninth yeare of *Henry* the fourth; whereunto I am induced by this reaſon. That firſt the King would not keepe that office ſo long in his hands as almoſt amounted to Two yeares, but that he would beſtow the ſame upon ſome other: Secondly, for that I reade that this *Richard Scroope* father to *William Scroope* Earle of *Wiltſhire*, beheaded by this *Henry* the fourth, before he came to the Crowne at *Briſtow*, in the laſt yeare of *Richard* the ſecond, and in the firſt of this Kings raigne, was after the death of the ſaid *William* made Treaſurer of *England* and ſo died in honour. Thirdly for that I cannot ſee how he might be Treaſurer in any yeare ſince the death of the ſaid *William* untill the ninth yeare of *Henry* the fourth. And laſtly, for that I cannot in any record or other author find any other man mentioned to ſupply that place in this yeare, for which cauſes I have attempted to beſtow him here, and that rightly for any thing that I can yet learne.

Sir *Iohn Tiptoſt*, or *Tiptote* Knight did poſſeſſe the place and office of Lord Treaſurer of *England* in Michaelmas tearme in the tenth yeare of *Henry* the fourth, being in *An. Do.* 1408.

Henry Lord Scroope of *Masham* and of *Flaxfleet* was made Lord Treasurer of *England* in 11. yeare of *Henry* the fourth, being in *An. Dom.* 1410. as hath *Walsingham*, in which office he continued untill the death of *Henry* the fourth, which happened in the fourteenth yeare of the said King, and in *Anno Domino* 1412. after the account of *England*, but 1413. after the account of such as doe begin the yeare in *January*. Hee rebelled against King *Henry* the fift, and was beheaded at *Southhampton* in the third yeare of *Henry* the fifth being in *An. Dom.* 1415. the last of *July*. Of which *Henry* so conspiring against *Henry* the fifth. I finde these verses in a written booke of parchment, intituled *Extractum breve de cronica Thoma Helmham Prioris Lenton de tempore regis Henrici Quinti.* In which verses by the capitall let ters, are set downe the names of the principall conspirators, and the yeare of our Lord, wherein the same was done, being 1413. The greater Roman capitall letters in the third verse serving for the yerae of Christ, and for the name *Zore*, derived of this word *Cor* in the 4. verse, and the English capitall letters only serving for the names of the persons in this sort couched together for common capacity.

Mox rex mavigium parat ut mare transeat armis
Scrop furit Henricus proditione fremens.
SCrVtanis Conspirat RIMatVr OlenCLa Plebi
Rumpe Iugo COR Avens Res Dabit Vltra Sonum
E I A Ruit Gens Avita Malis Opus Hoste Triumphat
Vota voluntatis sic sacre Christe tua

Versibus

Verſibus his quinque prælatis Traditionem
Lector ſcire potes, hinc repetendo ſtude
Hi tres Richardus Zorc, Henry Scrupq; Thomas Gray
In regem ſurgunt proditione pares
Munere Francorum corrupti terga dedere
Iuſto munus habet, vindice quiſq; ſuum.

Thomas Fitzallen Earle of *Arundell* and *Surrey*, was advanced to the office of the Lord Treaſurer-ſhip of *England* in *An. Do.* 1413. being the 1. yeare of the raigne of the moſt victorious Prince King *Henry* the fifth, in which office it ſeemeth that hee continued the 1, 2, and 3. of *Henry* the fifth. He in the yeare 140, being the ſeventh yeare of *Henry* the fourth, on the next day of the feaſt of Saint *Katherine*, married *Beatrice* the naturall daughter of the King of *Portugall*, by whom hee had no Iſſue, but left his ſiſters his heires and dyed in *An. Dom.* 1416. being in the third yeare of *Henry* the fift, and was buried in the Colledge at *Arundell.*

Sir *Roger Leche*, whom ſome call but not rightly as I ſuppoſe; Sir Philip *Lech*, being brother unto the ſaid Sir *Roger*, was Treaſurer of *England* in Michaelmas and Eaſter tearme in the fourth yeare of *Henry* the fift, being *An. Dom.* 1416. He was at the ſeidge of *Rone* with this King *Henry*, in the ſixt yeare of his raigne, being alſo Treaſurer for the warres in that voyage.

Henry Lord *Fitzhugh*, was advanced to the office

of the Lord Treaſurerſhip of *England* in the fift yeare of *Henry* the fift, being in *An. Dom.* 1417. in which office hee continued as I gather untill the death of the ſaid King *Henry* the fift which happened in *Auguſt* in *An. Dom.* 1422

Iohn Stafford Clerke was made Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the firſt yeare of King *Henry* the ſixt being in *An. Dom.* 1422. in which office hee continued in Michelmas tearme in the fourth yeare of *Henry* the ſixt falling in *An. Dom.* 1425. hee was choſen Biſhop of *Bath* in the third yeare of *Henry* the ſixt in *An. Dom.* 1424. he was Chanceller of *England*, and removed to the Archbiſhoprick of *Canterbury*, of whom is mention made in my diſcourſe of the Chancellers of *England*, and touching whom I will for this time onely ſet down here, what *Matthew Paris* writeth of him, in the life of *Henry Chichely* an Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, *Archiepiſcopus* (ſaith he) in *An. Dom.* 1424. *Cantuarienſis* 12. *Octob. clerum in eccleſia Paulina convocavit, in ea Henricus Beauford Winton epiſcopus regni Cancellarius, & Iohannes Stafford Bathonienſis electus epiſcopus regni theſaurarius, ad bellum Gallicum opem a clero petivit, & interpoſita paucorum dierum deliberatione. Wilhelmus Linwood officialis curiæ Cantuarienſis de arcubus hoc reſponſum ab inferiori clero Synodo acceptum epiſcopis declaravit, non poſſe penes cleri procuratores poteſtatem ſubſidium concedendi. Nam cum in dicta Synodo in ſingulis diœceſibus conſtituti eſſent, clerus de ſolutionibus conſentiendi licentiam expreſſe ademit, quia tantis tributis*

tis diu pendendis ad magnam inopiam & egeſtatem devenit. Itaque Cancellarius a ſuperiori Synodo ad inferiorem tranſiens, longa & diſerta oratione, ac regis jam minoris neceſsitate, ac de inſtanti in Gallia bello egit, ac nequicquam ſuaſit.

Walter Lord *Hungerford* Knight of the garter the ſonne of Sir *Thomas Hungerford* Knight was made Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the fourth yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, being in *An. Dom.* 1425. in which office hee contynued about ſixe yeares, untill ſome part of Michaelmas terme in the tenth of *Henry* the ſixt, falling in *An. Dom.* 1431. Hee was alſo one of the Counſell to the ſaid King, of whom is Mention made by *Matthew Parker* in the life of *Henry Chicheley* Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, in theſe words. *Proximo anno* (which was about *An. Dom.* 1425) *ſynodus ſub eodem archiepiſcopo 15. Aprilis inchoata eſt, Qua Iohanne Kempo Eboracenſi archiepiſcopo & Waltero Hungerfordo Milite Regijs conſiliarijs (ille cancellario hoc theſaurario regni) regis nomine poſtulantibus regi decimam conceſsit. Ac eiſdem his petentibus triennio poſt in recenti Synodo media decima regi a clero data eſt.* This Lord Treaſurer married *Katherine* the daughter and heire of *Thomas Peverell* Knight, by whom he had iſſue *Walter* Lord *Hungerford* of *Hatchberry* Knight of the garter, that dyed without iſſue; Sir *Robert* Lord *Hungerford* of *Hatchberry*, *Edmund Hungerford* Knight, that died without iſſue, *Margaret* married to Sir *Walter Rodney* Knight, and *Elizabeth* married to *Phillip Courtney* Knight, which *Robert* Lord

Hungerford and *Margaret* his wife, *Iohn Cheiney* of *Pim* Eſquire, *Iohn Mervin* Eſquire, and others did (by the Kings licence granted unto them in the 11. yeare of King *Edward* the fourth) build the hoſpitall of *Hatchberry* in *Wiltſhire*.

Iohn Lord *Scroope* of *Vpſall* and *Maſham* made Lord Treaſurer in the tenth yeare of *Henry* the ſixt being in *An. Dom.* 1431. in which office hee continued untill ſome part of the 12. yeare of the ſaid King, as I for this time doe gather. Of whom thus writeth *Matthew Parker* in the life of *Henry Chichley* Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, touching a Synod holden in *An. Dom.* 1430. at what time of the Clergie hee ſaith, that *Iohannes Stafford epiſcopus Bathonienſis Cancellarius, &c.* D. *Scroope Theſaurarius regni nec non Wilhelmus Lindwood cuſtos privati ſigilli, pro rege ſubſidium poſtularunt, & mediam decimam tandem agre impetrarunt.*

Raphe Lord *Cromwell* the ſonne of *Raph Cromwell* Lord of *Taterſhall*, poſſeſſed the place of Lord Treaſurer of *England* in Eaſter tearme of the 12. yeare of the after depoſed King *Henry* the ſixt, being in *An. Dom.* 1434. and ſo continued in that office about tenne yeares following as I ſuppoſe in *An. Do.* 1444. This man being knight was created Lord *Cromwell*, by the ſaid *Henry* the ſixt, and was lineally deſcended of one of the heires of *Robert* Lord *Taterſhall* that married one of the daughters and heires of *William Dalbeny* Earle of *Arundell*. This *Raph* Lord Treaſurer died without iſſue, and made

made his Teſtament in *An. Dom.* 1454. being in the 33. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, after whoſe deceaſe the Inheritance came to the Three Auntes, being his heires, wherof the firſt was maried to the Lord *Bardoffe* ſtaine at *Braunch ammore* in *Northumberland*, the ſecond was married to Sir *William Fitz-Williams* Knight of the Sepulcher: the third *Elizabeth* to Sir *Iohn Cliſton* Knight, and after his death to Sir *Edmund Beneſted* Knight, of one Lord *Cromwell* I finde this note ſet downe by *Leland*. *Dominus Radulphus Cromwell & Matilda vxor ejus fundatores Collegij ſanctæ Trinitatis de Taterſhall, quumque Roberti ordine domini erant de Taterſhall, hos ſequutus eſt Radulphus Comwell.*

Sir *Ralphe Butler* Knight of the garter, Lord *Sudley* deſcended from *Iohn* Lord *Sudley*, and *William Butler* Baron of *Wem*, which married *Ioane* daughter and heire to *Iohn Sudley Baron Sudley*, did poſſeſſe the honorable place of the Lord Treaſurerſhip of *England*, the ſeventh of *July* in the 22. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, being in *An. Dom.* 1444. which office he kept about three yeares, for in 25. of the ſaid King, was the Biſhop of *Carlile* Lord Treaſurer. This *Raphe* Lord *Sudley* builded the Caſtle of *Sudley*, in the time of King *Henry* the ſixt, and of *Edward* the fourth was committed to priſon by the King, firſt ſending for him to come to his preſence. Whereupon hee going to the King, and reſting on an hill, from whence he did behold *Sudley* Caſtle ſaid. It is thou, it is thou, *Sudley* Caſtle, and not I which am the traitor: After which comming to

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the King, hee reſigned the ſaid *Sudley* Caſtle into his handes. Which Caſtle came after to *Iaſper* Duke of *Bedford*, & is now 1635. in the poſſeſſion of *Giles Bridges* Lord *Shandois*. This *Ralph* being made Baron in the 20. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt married *Elizabeth*, the daughter of Sir *John Northberry* by whom he had iſſue *Thomas* his ſon that died without iſſue leaving his Two Siſters to bee his heires, whereof the Eldeſt daughter was married to Sir *John Northberry*, whoſe heire generall was maried to *John Halwell* of *Devonſhire*, who had iſſue *Ioane* his daughter and heire married to *Edmund* Lord *Bray*, of whoſe heires generall are deſcended, the Lord *Cobham*, Lord *Chandos*, Sir *Edmund Verney*, Knight Marſhall; Sir *Percivall Hart* of *Kent*, The other Siſter married to Sir *Hamond Bellknap*, of whom is deſcended the Lord *Wootton* of *Boctton Maleherbe* in *Kent*. The which *Ralph* Lord *Butler* of *Sudley* was vexilifer, and high butler of *England*, and ſteward in houſe to *Henry* the ſixt.

Marmaduke Biſhop of *Carlile*, was made Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the 25. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, in which office hee continued, about two yeares in the 27. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, being in *An. Dom.* 1448. (or as ſome have) 1449.

Iames Fynes created at *Bury Baron* and of *Say*, of *Seale*, on the 3. of *March*, in the 25. yeare of King *Henry* the ſixt, being in *An. Dom.* 1446. was Conſtable of *Dover* Caſtle, and Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the 28. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, and was from

from thence removed, (as ſome have) in *An.* 29. of the ſaid King: And was by the Rebells of *Kent Iacke Cade* and his fellowes, taken out of the Tower to the *Guildhall*, where hee was arraigned before the Major and other the Kings Iuſtices, who deſiring to be tried by his Peeres, was by the Rebells forceably taken from the Officers, and beheaded at the ſtandard in Cheape. Which his beheading ſome doe attribute to the 28. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, being in *An. Dom.* 1450. He had iſſue Sir *William Fines* Knight, and one daughter married to Sir *William Cromer* Knight, Shieriffe of *Kent*, beheaded at that time alſo with his father in law. Of which *Cromer*, Sir *Iames Cromer* of *Kent*, Knight deſcended.

Iohn Lord *Beuchamp* a perſon of great worthineſſe poſſeſſed the place of the Treaſurerſhip of *England* in the 29. and 30. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt.

Iohn Tiptoft Earle of *Worceſter*, poſſeſſed the place of the Lord Treaſurer in the 31. and 32 yeare of *Henry* the ſixt: Of whom is more mention made hereafter.

Iames Butler the ſonne of *Iames* Earle of *Ormond* being Earle of *Wiltſhire* and *Ormond*, poſſeſſed the office of the Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the 33. of *Henry* the ſixt, falling in *An. Dom.* 1455.

Henry Vicount *Bourchier*, borne of the noble

house of the *Bourchiers* the sonne of *William Bourchier* Earle of *Ewe* in *Normandy*, was Lord Treasurer of *England* in the 33. yeare of *Henry* the sixt, in which office he did not long remaine.

Iohn Talbot Earle of Sherwsbury the sonne of *Iohn Talbot* the first Earle of *Shrewesbury* of that name, possessed the place of the Treasurership of *England* in the 35. and 36. yeare of *Henry* the sixt, and then gave place to the Earle of *Wiltshire*. This Earle was slaine at the battle of *Northampton*, in the 38. yeare of *Henry* the sixt, being in *An. Dom.* 1460. He married *Elizabeth*, the daughter of *Iames Butler* Earle of *Ormond*, and had issue *Iohn* Earle of *Shrewesbury*, *Iames Gilbert*, *Christopher*, and *George*, *Anne* married to Sir *Henry Vernon*, and *Margaret*, This man was buried in the *Priory* of *Worksop*.

Iames Butler, sonne to *Iames* the fourth of that name, Earle of *Ormond*, was the second time made Lord Treasurer of *England*, about the 37. yeare of *Henry* the sixt, in which office he continued (as I suppose) in the 38. yeare of the said King, In which yeare hee conveyed himselfe out of *England* into *Duchland*, (for feare of the Nobility, as the Duke of *Yorke* and others, that rebelled against the King) sending backe his souldiers into *England*, which he had before assembled upon the Sea, but after he returned into *England*, and was againe put to flight at *Mortimers* Crosse, by *Edward* Earle of *March*, after King, by the name of King *Edward* the fourth. He was made Earle of *Ormond* in the 39. of *Henry* the

the ſixt, being his laſt yeare. Hee married *Elinor*, the daughter of *Edmund* Duke of *Somerſet*, & diep without yſſue, being beheaded at *Newcaſtle* in *An. Do.* 1461. in the firſt yeare of *Edward* the fourth.

Henry Viſcount *Bourchier*, was Lord Treaſurer of *England* the ſecond time, in the 39. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, being in *An. Dom.* 1460. who upon the depoſition of the ſaid King, by *Edward* the fourth, was alſo removed from the ſaid office.

Thrmas Bourchier, made Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the firſt yeare of *Edward* the fourth, in *An. Dom.* 1461. continued not long in that office, but gave place to *Iohn* Earle of *Worceſter*.

Iohn Tiptoſt Earle of *Worceſter*, the ſecond tyme poſſeſſed the place of the Lord Treaſurerſhip of *England* in the ſecond and third yeare of *Edward* the fourth.

Edmund Lord *Grey* of *Ruthine*, the ſonne of *Iohn* Lord *Grey* of *Ruthine*, did enjoy the office of Lord Treaſurerſhip of *England*, in the fourth yeare of *Edward* the fourth in *Anno Dom.* 1464. This man ſecretly in heart forſaking the part of King *Henry* the ſixt, for injuries received at his hands ayded the ſaid *Edward* the fourth, and was the chiefe meanes whereby hee attained the Crowne, in Michaelmas Tearme in the ſaid fourth yeare of this

King, there was a Sergeants feaſt held in *Holbourne* in the Biſhop of *Ely* his Houſe, to which the Maior and Aldermen repaired being bidden thither. But when the Major looked to have kept the ſtate in the Hall, forgetting that hee was out of his owne liberties (for the Biſhops place was an exempt place) as it had beene uſed (ſaith *Iohn Stow*) in all places of the City, and liberties of the ſame, out of the Kings preſence, the Lord *Grey* of *Ruthine* then Treaſurer of *England*, unknowne to the Sergeants, and againſt their willes (as they ſaid) was placed in the higheſt roome, whereupon the Major Aldermen and Commons departed. This *Edmund* doth *Matthew Parker*, in the life of *Thomas Bourchier* Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, make to be Treaſurer in the Third yeare of *Edward* the fourth in *Anno Dom.* 1463. which may well enough ſtand with the former, being Treaſurer to *Iohn* Earle of *Worceſter* in the 3. yeare of the King. For upon removing of the ſaid Earle in the 3. yeare of *Edward* the 4. came this Lord *Grey* in place. The words of which ſaid *Matthew Parker* (with a note of *An. Do.* 1463. in the margent) are in this order: *Edwardus Rex duobus jam annis feliciter geſto regno, parliamentũ. Weſtmonaſterij tenuit, quo etiam tempore, Archiepiſcopus* (which was *Thomas Bourchier*, the brother of *Henry Bourchier* Earle of *Eſſex*) *& Clerus in ſynodo convenerunt. In hac ſynodo Iohannes Comes Wigorniæ, Henricus Comes Eſſexiæ, & D. Edmundus Grey Theſaurarius Angliæ, D. Humfridus Cromwell, D. Wenlocke, D. Iohannes Prior ſancti Iohannis & Robertus Stillington Legum doctor, cuſtos*

privati

priuati ſigilli regis conſiliarij, allatis literis regijs petierunt a clero decerni regi ad Scotos repellendos ſubſidium. Quod quidem gratiſſimis omnium animis tam munifico regi conceſſum eſt, qui ſuperiori anno eccleſiæ immunitates atque iura iniquis iudiciorum calumnijs (uti in Iohanne Stafford antea diximus) conuulſa & labefactata diplomate regio reſtauravit. Beſides which thus writeth *Iohn Whethamſtead*, that learned Abbat of Saint *Albons* of this Lord *Grey*, declaring in what authority he was at firſt, in the daies of *Henry* the ſixt, and then in the raigne of *Edward* the fourth, His words be theſe. In the 36. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, *Venerunt tres viri monachi de cœnobio Cluniacenſi, quibus ad audiendum eorum nuntium, miſſi ſunt epiſcopus Dunelmenſis, cuſtos priuati ſigilli, Dominus Edmondus Grey de Ruthine, & Secretarius regis, quibus iſti viri dixerunt, eorum aduentum eſſe ob tria. Primo ad aperiendum quomodo reges Anglia, & præcipue Henricus ſecundus fuerunt tam magni benefactores ad eorum eccleſiam ut potius pro nunc dicatur earum patronus & præcipuus fundator. Secundo venerunt ad petendum poſſeſſionem & confirmationem bonorum illorum quæ dicti progenitores eis contulerant, & per tempus non paucum iamdudum a manibus eorum detenta & diſtracta erant. Tertio ad impetrandum liberam licentiam ad ingrediendum ſingula loca uelig oſa ob eorum cœnobio dependentia, & qua per nobiles progenitores regis poſita fuerunt ſub eorum regimine. Sed nihil hic eis gratum fuit allatum, itu at triſtes diſcederunt.* Out of which words of *Whethamſted*, may other things bee gathered, beſides the doings of the Lord *Grey*, as that

the Kings of *England*, and ſpecially *Henry* the ſecond, have been great benefactors and founders of the *Charterhouſe Monkes*, with many moe matters contained in the ſame, which I referre to the wiſe & learned reader, which made me the willinger to ſet down his words ſo largely; Moreover the ſame *Whethamſted*, continuing the Hiſtorie of *Henry* the ſixt, writeth of the battle of *Northampton*, wherein was this Lord *Gray*, in this ſort. *In prælio Northamptonenſi Edmundus Grey, dominus Ruthine, corpore licet præſens* (even as the Lord *Stanly* was in the battell fought betwixt *Richard* the third, and *Henry* Earle of *Richmond*, after King, by the name of *Henry* the ſeventh) *in campi domini regis Henrici Sexti ſteterat, cor tamen ejus non erat rectum in eo, nequeomnino fidelis habitus aut inventus fuit. Nam venientibus turmis dictis ad foſſam circumvallationis & ipſam non multum prompte propter elevationem verticis in parte ulteriore aſcendere valentibus, occurrit ipſis dominus cum ſuis copijs obvians, porrigendoq́ ipſis dextram, traxit eos per manus in campum Martium, juxta votum ſuum.* Thus much *Whethamſted* of *Edmond Grey* Lord *Ruthine*, who was made Earle of *Kent*, in the fifth yeare of *Edward* the fourth, in *An. Dom.* 1464.

This *Edmond Grey* being Lord *Haſtings*, *Weiſford*, and *Ruthine*, (before he had the honour of this Earledome) did by his Deed of Indenture dated the eighteenth of *November* in the 25. yeare of *Henry* the ſixt in *An. D*ᵒ. 1446. give to *Iohn Pinchbecke* Prior of *Duffefield* in *Northamptonſhire* in *Almes*, during the life of the ſaid Prior, his Feild

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called *Challocke*, to keepe the obits of Sir *John Grey*, father to the ſaid Sir *Edmond*, and of Dame *Conſtance* the widow of the Earle Marſhall, and daughter of *Iohn Holland* Duke of *Exceſter* and Earle of *Huntington*, mother to the ſaid Sir *Edmund* with maſſe, &c. as ſuch other Colleets, as the ſaid *Edmond* ſhould deliver unto the ſaid Prior.

Sir *Walter Blunt* Knight, who was the firſt Lord *Montjoy*, poſſeſſed the place of Lord Treaſurerſhip of *England*, in the fifth yeare of *Edward* the fourth, which fell in *Anno Dom.* 1465. Of this man is mention made in the Booke of the Law called *Long Quinto* of *Edward* the fourth; Hee married the daughter of Sir *Iohn Biron*, and had yſſue *William*, *Iohn*, and *Iames*.

Sir *Richard Woodvile* Knight Chamberlaine to the King, and Conſtable of *England*, was made Barron on the ninth of *May* in the ſecond yeare of *Henry* the ſixt, in *An. Dom.* 1424. and was after created Earle of *Rivers* in the fift yeare of *Edward* the fourth, in *An. Dom.* 1465. who thus advanced, was after Lord Treaſurer in the 6. 7. and 8. of *Edward* the fourth. In which 8. yeare of *Edward* the fourth, *Thomas Cooke*, late Major of *London* was accuſed of Treaſon, and arraigned for the ſame, who after he had beene many times purged therof, was yet at laſt found guilty, and by this Lord *Rivers*, then Lord Treaſurer ſo handled, as that hee could not be delivered, untill hee had paid 8000. pound to the King, and 800. pound to the Queene.

This

This Lord Treasurer married *Iaquet*, the widow of *John Duke* of *Bedford*, daughter to *Peter* of *Lucenburgh* Earle of Saint *Paule*, by whom hee had yssue, *Richard* Earle *Rivers*, *Anthony* Lord *Scales* in the right of his wife, *Edward Woodvile* Knight slaine at the battell of Saint *Albine* in *Britaine* in the third yeare of *Henry* the seventh, *Lionell* Bishop of *Salisbury*, *Margaret* married to *Thomas* Earle of *Arundale*, *Margaret* married to *William Herbert*, Earle of *Huntington*, *Anne* first married to *William Bourchier* Earle of *Essex*, and after to *George Grey* Earle of *Kent*, *Iaquet* married to *John* Lord *Strange*, *Elizabeth* married to Sir *John Greie* younger son to the Lord *Greie* of *Ruthine*, and after the death of the said Sir *John Greie*, to King *Edward* the fourth, and *Katherine* married to *Henry* Duke of *Buckingham*; Besides all which I have read of one *Iohn*, which was sonne to this Earle *Rivers*, which *Iohn* married the old Dutchesse of *Norfolke*, and was beheaded with his father, the truth wherof I leave to further triall. This *Richard* Earle *Rivers* Lord Treasurer in the ninth yeare of *Edward* the fourth, in *An. Dom.* 1469. was by *Robert Hilyard*, whonamed himselfe *Robert* of *Kidesdale*, taken in the forrest of *Deane*, (as some have) others say at *Grafton*, and from thence brought to *Northhampton* and there was beheaded.

Iohn Longstrother Prior of Saint *Iohns Ierusalem* in *England*, possessed the place of Lord Treasurer of the Realme in the ninth yeare of *Edward* the fourth, in *Anno Dom.* 1469. for in the same yeare hee

hee gave place to the Biſhop of *Elie.*

William Grey, Biſhop of *Elie* was after the tranſlation of *Thomas Bourchier* from *Elie* to *Canterbury* advanced to that See, by *Nicholas* the fifth, then Biſhop of *Rome*, who gave it to the ſaid Biſhop, being then procurator too for King *Henry* the 6. at *Rome* in the yeare of our redemption, 1454. This man was Lord Treaſurer in the ninth yeare of *Edward* the fourth, in *An. Dom.* 1469. in which office he continued untill the 11. yeare of *Edward* the fourth, or thereabouts. This *Grete* was borne of the noble houſe of the Lord *Greyes* of *Codnor*, as ſaith *Bale*, and travelled into *Italie* to attaine great learning, where he heard the noble Clerke *Guarinus Veronenſis* reade in *Ferraria.* Hee continued Biſhop of *Elie* 24. yeares 11. Moneths and two daies, departing this life at *Durham* the fourth of *Auguſt* in *An. Dom.* 1478. as I have read, and was buried at *Elie*, betweene two Marble pillars, having beſtowed great ſommes of money upon the reparations of that famous Belfrie of the Church of *Elie*, and upon other ornaments of the ſame Church.

Henry Bourchier Earle of *Eſſxe*, did the third time poſſeſſe the honorable place of the Lord Treaſurerſhip of *England* in the 11. yeare of *Edward* the fourth, in which office hee continued (as I gather) 12. yeares, being all the reſidue of the life of *Edward* the fourth, who departed this world, about the ninth day of *Aprill* in *An. Dom.* 1483. which

Bourchier being made Earle of *Essex* in the first yeare of *Edward* the fourth, in *An. Dom.* 1461. married *Elizabeth*, daughter of *Richard de Conisburge* Earle of *Cambridge*, the sister of *Richard* Duke of *Yorke*, by whom hee had yssue *William* Lord *Bourchier*, *Thomas*, *John*, *Henry*, and *Humphery*, Knights.

Sir *Richard Wood* Knight, whom some call Sir *John Wood*, being before under Treasurer in the 23. yeare of *Edward* the fourth, was in the same yeare made Knight about a Moneth before the death of the said King *Edward* the fourth. This man did possesse the place of the Lord Treasurer of *England*, (as I gather out of the record of *Pellis exitus*, of that yeare) in the second yeare of the Raigne of King *Richard* the third, being the yeare of our redemption 1484. which office I suppose, that hee kept untill the said *Richard* the third was slayne, by *Henry* Earle of *Richmond*, afterward King of *England*, by the name of *Henry* the Seventh.

Sir *Reignold Brey* Knight, the sonne of *Richard Brey* Physician (as some have noted to King *Henry* the sixt) being servant to *Margret* Countesse of *Richmond* mother to *Henry* the seventh, was for the fidelity of his Lady, and good service in furthering King *Henry* the 7. to the Crowne received into great favour with the said King, and made Lord Treasurer of *England*, as appeareth by the record of *Pellis exitus*, made under his name in the first yeare of *Henry* the seventh in *An. Dom.* 1485.

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beſides which Office, hee had many other offices and honours, part whereof were that he was Treaſurer of the Kinges warres, that he was one of the executors to King *Henry* the ſeventh, that hee was made Knight of the *Bath*, at the Coronation of the King, and created a Banneret at Blacke-heath field. Hee died in the 18. yeare of the *prudent Prince*. King *Henry* the ſeventh, being in *An. Dom.* 1503. and was honorably buried at *Windſor*.

Sir *John Dinham* Kinght, the ſon of Sir *Dinham* Knight, a faithfull ſervant to the houſe of *Yorke*, aſwell in ayding the Duke of *Yorke*, to whom *Edward* the fourth, ſonne to the ſaid Duke of *Yorke*, in the ſecond yeare of his raigne, had given one Annuity of 30. pound *per Annum*; did after the death of the ſaid *Edward* the fourth in the ſecond yeare of *Henry* the ſeventh poſſeſſe the place of Lord Treaſurer of *England* in *An. Dom.* 1486. and ſo continued vntill in *An.* 16. *Henry* the ſeventh, and then gave place to *Thomas* Earle of *Surrey*. Of which Lord *Dinham* thus writeth, *Leland. Dominus Dinham primus fuit fundator ſancti Nicholas alias Hortland*, He was created Lord *Dinham* in the firſt yeare of *Edward* the 4. ſhortly after the Coronation of the ſaid King in *An. Dom.* 1461. He dyed in *Anno* 16. of the ſame King *Henry* the ſeventh in *An. Dom.* 1500. and the 30. day of *Ianuary* was brought to the *Gray Fryers* in *London*, and there buried. He married *Elizabeth* daughter of the Lord *Fitzwater*, by whom he had yſſue *George* and *Phillip*, and Sir *Thomas Dinham*

his baſe ſonne that married one of the daughters and heires of Sir *Iohn Ormond*: Which *Thomas* was buried at *Aſhring*, Three miles from *Berkhamſted*, beſides which children, this Lord *Dinham* or *Denham* (for ſo I finde both written in Chronicles) had by his legitimate wife divers daughters, which were *Margaret* married to *Nicholas* Baron of *Carew* *Ioane* married to the Lord *Zouch*, *Elizabeth* married to the Lord *Fitz Warren*, and *Katherine* married to Sir *Thomas Arundell* of *Cornewall* Knight.

Here I thinke it not amiſſe to ſay ſomewhat of a note which I have ſeene, that maketh *Iohn Touchet* Lord *Audley* Treaſurer of *England*, which note is this. *Iohn Touchet* Lord *Audley* Treaſurer of *England* dyed the 26. day of *December* in *An. Do.* 1490. falling in the ſixt yeare of *Henry* the ſeventh, and had iſſue *Iames* Lord *Audley*, beheaded the 28. of *Iune* in *An. Dom.* 1497. being the 12. yeare of *Henry* the ſeventh.

Thomas Howard the ſonne of *Iohn* Lord *Howard* created the firſt Duke of *Norfolke* of that name (in the time of *Richard* the Third) was at the ſame time alſo created Earle of *Surrey*. This man after the ſlaughter of his father at *Boſworth field*, when the Tyrant *Richard* the third was ſlaine by *Henry* the ſeventh, was after received into ſuch favour with the ſaid King *Henry* the ſeventh, that hee was advanced to be Lord Treaſurer of *England* in the 16. yeare of *Henry* the ſeventh in *An. Dom.* 1500. Which place hee continued all the life of the ſaid King *Henry* the ſeventh, who died in the 24. yeare of

of his raigne, being in *An. Do.* 1509. After which for the good ſervice hee uſed in the time of King *Henry* the ſeventh, King *Henry* the 8. permitted him to keepe that Office, which he poſſeſſed untill the 15. yeare of King *Henry* the 8. in *An. Dom.* 1523. This man was created Duke of *Norfolke* on *Candlemas day* in the fift yeare of *Henry* the 8. being in *An. Dom.* 1513. at what time alſo his ſonne *Thomas Howard* was made Earle of *Surrey*. This Duke was advanced to that honour, in recompence of the death of the King of *Scots*, and for the good ſervice that hee did againſt that Nation in the ſaid 5. yeare of *Henry* the 8. with an augmentation of his armes: the Armes of *Scotland*, *in medio bendæ Armorum proprij Nominis* of *Howard*. Touching which victory of the death of the King of *Scots*. *Buchanan*, *Lib.* 13. writeth to this effect. That the ſaid *Thomas Howard* (as a note of the conqueſt) gave to his ſervants (to weare on their left arme) being a white Lyon (the beaſt which he beare before as the proper Enſigne of that houſe) ſtanding over a Red Lion, the peculiar note of the Kingdome of *Scotland*) and tearing the ſame Red Lyon with his pawes. This *Tho.* Duke of *Norfolke* married two wives, his firſt wife was *Elizabeth* the daughter of *Fredericke Tilney* Knight, by whom he had iſſue *Thomas* Earle of *Surrey*, after Duke of *Norfolk*, *Edward* ſlaine at *Breſt* Admiral of *England* and *Edmond Howard*, with *Elizabeth* married to *Thomas Bulline* Earle of *Wiltſhire*, and *Mariell* married to *Iohn Grey* Lord *Liſle*: His ſecond wife was *Agnes* daughter of *Philip Tilney* Knight, by

whom he had yſſue *William* Lord *Howard* of *Eſſingham* with many others. This *Thomas* Duke of *Norfolke* died in the 16. yeare of King *Henry* the 8. in *An. Dom.* 1544. and was buried at *Thetford* in *Norfolke*.

Thomas Howard, ſonne to the ſaid *Thomas* Duke of *Norfolke*, being Earle of *Surrey* poſſeſſed the place of the Lord Treaſurer in the 15. yeare of *Henry* the 8. in *An. Dom.* 1521. the which office he continued in the 38. yeare of the ſaid King, in *An. Dom.* 1546. in the which yeare on the 28. of *January*, the ſaid King *Henry* died, ſo that this Duke and his father were Lord Treaſurers of *England* almoſt 48. yeares: But about ſome few daies more then a Moneth before the death of the ſaid King, that is to ſay, on the 12. day of *December*, this Duke with his ſonne *Henry* Earle of *Surrey* were committed to the Tower, the one by water, the other by land. Shortly after which, the ſaid *Henry* was beheaded at *Tower-hill* the 19. day of *January*, about 9. dayes before the death of the King. And the Duke remained as condemned to perpetuall priſon, till the beginning of the Raigne of Queene *Mary*, who then ſet him at liberty: He married for his firſt wife *Anne* the daughter of King *Edward* the fourth, but had *Thomas* that died young after, he married *Elizabeth* daughter to *Edward* Duke of *Buckingham*, by whom hee had yſſue *Henry* Earle of *Surrey* beheaded as before, *Thomas Viſcount Bindon* and *Mary* married to *Henry Fitzroy* Duke of *Richmond*, Hee died about the

the beginning of the Raigne of Queene *Mary*.

Edward Seymer Earle of *Hartford* was after the death of King *Henry* the 8. made Lord Treaſurer of *England*, in the firſt yeare of King *Edward* the ſixt, in *An. Dom.* 1546. in which yeare hee was alſo made protector of *England* and Duke of *Somerſet*, of whom thus writeth *Matthew Parker*, calling him *Regni Camerarium*, in the life of *Thomas Cranmer* Archbiſhop of *Canterbury* in theſe words, pag. 397. *In teſtamento* (meaning King *Henry* the 8.) *Edwardo Principi minori novem annis nato haredi ſuo Sexdecem tutores, ex Epiſcopis ſolos Thomam Cranmerum Cantuarienſem archiepiſcopum & Cuthbertum Tonſtallum Dunelmenſem Epiſcopum dedit.* And a little after, pag. 398. followeth, *Verum pluribus* (*ut diximus* (*ei minori*) (that was King *Edward*) *a patre conſtitutis curatoribus, ne numero ſuo, atq; multitudine ad diſſentiones faciles eſſent & proclives, unus electus eſt, qui ex conſilijs reliquorum impuberis regis tutelam ſolus adminiſtraret: Is ſutit Edwardus Seimerus Comes Herefordienſis totius regni Camerarius regiſq; Auunculus. Qui ſuſcepta tutela regis, totius regni atque dominiorum ſuorum procteor & Somerſeti Dux nuncupatus atq; creatus eſt.* This Duke of *Somerſet* being Treaſurer of *England* continued in the ſame office (untill his death which was) more then 4. yeares, and was beheaded in the fift yeare of *Edward* the ſixt, in *An. Dom.* 1551.

Sir

Sir *William Paulet* Knight Marqueſſe of *Winche-ſter*, was made Lord Treaſurer, upon the death of the Duke of *Somerſet*, in the fift yeare of *Edward* the ſixt in *An. Dom.* 1551. Which office hee kept by the ſpace of Twenty yeares and more, a longer time then ever any other Treaſurer had done before, except the two laſt Dukes of *Norfolke*. This man being a man of extreame age, (as attaining to the yeares Ninetie Seven) died Lord Treaſurer of *England*, the tenth of *March*, in *An. Dom.* 1571. (being the 14. yeare of the Raigne of the famous Queene *Elizabeth*) at his Mannor of *Baſing*. Hee in his life time did ſee the Children of his Childrens Children growne to the number of One Hundred and Three; a rare bleſſing of God to men of his calling. He maried *Elizabeth* the daughter of Sir *William Capell* Knight, by whom he had iſſue, *Iohn* Marqueſſe of *Wincheſter*, *Thomas*, *Chidiocke*, and *Giles*, *Alice* married to *Richard Stowell*, *Margaret* married to Sir *William Berkeley*, *Margery* married to *Richard Waller*, and *Eleanor* married to Sir *Richard Perckſhall*.

Sir *William Cecill* Knight, principall Secretary of State, created Lord *Burghley*, upon the death of the Marqueſſe of *Wincheſter* was made Lord Treaſurer of *England* the 12. *Iuly* 1572. being in the 14. yeare of the reigne of Queene *Elizabeth*, and continued in that office during his life, being alſo (elected unto that moſt noble Order of the Garter. Chancellor of the Vniverſity of *Cambridge*, and a Commiſſioner for the Office of Earle Marſhall of of *England*.

Thomas

Thomas Sackvill Barron *Buckhurſt*, heirē Male of that ancient Familie that have flouriſhed in a continued ſeries from the Conqueſt, and comming over out of *Normandie*, deſerved Nobly in that action was made Lord Treaſurer the 15. of *May* in the 41. yeare of Queene *Elizabeth*, and continued in that office during his life: Hee was after by King *Iames* Created Earle of *Dorcet* the 13. of *March* 1603. being Knight of the moſt noble Order of the Garter, and Chancellor of the Vniverſity of *Oxford*.

Sir *Robert Cecill* ſecond ſon to *William* Lord *Burghley*, being Principal Secretary of State to Queene *Elizabeth* and after to King *Iames*, was by the ſaid king created Baron *Cecill* of *Eſſendon* the 13. of *May* 1603. vicount *Cranborne* the 20. of *Auguſt* 1604. and Earle of *Salisbury* the 4. of *May* in the ſixt yeare of King *Iames*, and upon the death of the Earle of *Dorcet* hee was made Lord Treaſurer of *England*, and continued in the place till his death.

Thomas Lord *Howard* of *Walden* (ſecond ſonne to *Thomas Howard* Duke of *Norfolke*) created Earle of *Suffolke* by King *Iames*, being then Lord Chamberlaine and Knight of the Garter, was made Lord Treaſurer of *England* the 12. of *Iuly* in the 12. yeare of the raigne of King *Iames*.

Sir *Henry Montague* Knight, Lord chiefe Iuſtice of the Kings Bench, was made Lord Treaſurer of

England the 14. of *December* in the 18. yeare of King *Iames*, and the 19. day of the ſame moneth and yeare he was Created Baron of *Kimolton Caſtle* in *Huntington-ſhire*, and Vicount *Mandevile*, and immediately after the Coronation of King *Charles* he was created Earle of *Mancheſter*.

Lyonell Lord *Cranfield* of *Cranfield* in the County of *Bedford*, ſo created by Letters Patents, bearing date the 9. of *July* 1621. was made Lord Treaſurer the 19. of *October* following, and created Earle of *Middleſex* the 19. of *October*. 1622.

Sir *Iames Ley* Knight and Baronet, Lord Cheife Iuſtice of the Kings Bench, was made Lord Treaſurer of *England* the 22. of *December* in the 22. yeare of the raigne of King *Iames*, and upon the 31. day of the ſame Moneth he was created Baron *Ley* of *Ley* in *Deuonſhire*, and immediately after the Coronation of King *Charles*, he was created Earle of *Marleburgh* in *Wiltſhire*.

Richard Lord *Weſton* Chancellor of the *Exchequer*, upon the remove of the Earle of *Marleburgh* was made Lord Treaſurer of *England* upon the 15. day of *July* in the 4. yeare of King *Charles*, and was after that created Earle of *Portland* in *Dorcetſhire*, by Letters Patents, bearing date the 17. day of *February* in the eighth yeare of the raigne of King *Charles*.

Vpon

Vpon the death of the ſaid Earle of *Portland*, his Majeſtie appointed Commiſſioners for the ſaid office, viz. *William* Lord Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*, his Grace; *Henry* Earle of *Mancheſter*, Lord Privie Seale; *Francis* Lord *Cottington* Chancellor of the *Exchequer*; Sir *Iohn Cooke*, and Sir *Francis Windebank* Knights, Principall Secretaries of State.

The right reverend Father in God *William Iuxon*, firſt Lord Biſhop of *Hereford*, then tranſlated to *London* and made deane of the Kings Chappel, and called to be of the Privy Councell, and was made Lord Treaſurer of *England*, the Ninth day of *March*, 1635.

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